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"The National Negro Commission of the Communist Party of the United States met on Friday June 22, 1962, at the Worker Office in N.Y., about sixty comrades present. The following comrades were present:

1. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT - Chicago
2. BEN DAVIS - N.Y.
3. PHIL BART - N.Y.
4. JAMES JACKSON - N.Y.
5. DOROTHY HEALEY - So. Calif
6. JACK STACHEL - N.Y.
7. GUS HALL - N.Y.
8. JAKE GREEN - Baltimore
9. TOM NABRIED - Phila.
10. ELSIE DICKERSON - Phila.
11. FRANCES GABOW - Phila.
12. SARGE DAVIS - Phila.
13. [redacted] - Phila
14. BILL CRAWFORD - Phila.
15. JIM DOLSEN - Phila.
16. TOM DENNIS - Detroit
17. [redacted] Chicago
18. JIM TOOMEY - N.Y.
19. MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER - N.Y.
20. JIM LUSTIG - N.Y.
21. BETTY GANNETT - N.Y.
22. GEORGE MEYERS - Baltimore
23. WM. PATTERSON - N.Y.
25. [redacted] Los Angeles - Negro woman about [redacted] years old, a member of the National Committee at the 17th National Convention.
26. BILL - Los Angeles - Negro man - about 56, weigh about 250 lbs, 6' tall, brown-complexion, wears glasses, brown eyes, black and grey hair.
27. [redacted] Negro youth from Chicago. About [redacted] years old, 5'9" tall, weight 150 lbs, black hair, brown eyes, black heavy mustache.
28. [redacted]
29. DANNY RUBIN
30. [redacted]
31. IRVING POTASH

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- "32. WILL WEINSTONE
33. [redacted] San Francisco - Negro - male, age [redacted]
6' tall weight 175 lbs. - dark-complexion
34. [redacted] Negro - male - Brooklyn - about [redacted]
6'2" tall about 195 lbs. black hair, brown
eyes - has [redacted] in front.
35. ART - Negro - male, from Detroit, about 55 or 56
yrs. old, about 5'6" tall weigh about 160
lbs. Black hair, bald front, brown eyes. He
was arrested in Ohio not too long ago.
36. ARCHIE BROWN - California
37. [redacted] N.Y.
38. [redacted] - N.Y.
39. [redacted] White, male - N.Y. About [redacted] years old,
5'10" tall, weigh about 160 lbs.
40. [redacted] Negro, male, youth, N.Y. About [redacted]
years, a jazz musician, wooly black hair, black
eyes.
41. [redacted] Brooklyn
42. BOB THOMPSON - N.Y.

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"CLAUDE LIGHTFOOTE gave the report. This was the only point on the agenda. The meeting started around 10:30 A.M. The Phila. delegation was the last to arrive, around 11:10 A.M. The meeting had already begun. CLAUDE delivered the report, some of the important points raised are as follows: goute:

"'Comrades, there are three trends and currents in Negro life today, (1) King's movement, the Williams movement and the Muslim movement.'

"'The King Movement is the movement Negroes have rallied around and we support that movement. However, the Robert Williams Movement we reject, because it is dangerous and we as Marxists are firmly convinced that Negroes can win equal Rights through constitutional methods in this country. Therefore the Negro people will not accept ROBERT WILLIAMS and the NAACP was correct in ousting him.'

"'The Muslims, we reject some of their principles. We do not believe in the separationist theory.'

"'However, the Muslims are growing numerically because they offer some program in economy.

"'They are especially attractive to Negro youth.'

"'Yes there's another current in this country in Negro life and that is us, the Marxist Trend.'

"'One will ask himself, why has the Communist Party lost its ties with the Negro Community'?

"'I'll say the Negro people did not leave us, we left them.' 'We can not continue to live on past laurels. We must begin now to rebuild the Party among the Negro people.'

"'We can not say this is a hard task. The Negro may have cleaned us from its ranks because its leaders wanted to clear themselves with the ruling class, just as the labor movement has done. But they found that this anti Communist act has been a burden rather than an aid; and they now realize it. Despite ROY WILKINS and the NAACP, cleaning out all Communists from its ranks, the state laws in many southern towns have been established, ordering the NAACP to register its membership.'

"'And than we sit and wonder at the unlawful acts on the part of youth, their growing dis-respect of the law. Well Comrades this is closely related to segregation and un-lawlessness in the southern part of our country.'

"'We must begin a recruiting drive for Negroes in every district. We must have a program that will attract and interest the Negro people. Part of that program must be:

- " 1. Aid, to increase Negro vote in the south.
- " 2. Labor to organize Negroes in the "
3. Demand the Federal Gov't to take a more liberal attitude toward Civil Rights.
4. Call for the Industralization of the South
5. Demand the appointment of Negroes to Committees whenever there is a vaccancy.
6. Demand that an executive order be issued, abolishing discrimination in all phases of life.'

"We must have a program of direction to the Negro people as objectives in the coming elections. The Negro people have the balance of vote in 31 key areas in the north. We should press for the correct use of this vote. And the Negro people should work to oust reactionary candidates."

"On the question of building the party in the Negro Community. You know comrades there's a grave danger existing today in the tendency of saying we can't build party. This is untrue. The new trends and currents existing today in Negro life and in the world make it possible for us to build our party. We must stop sitting on our hands. Time is ripe and I am confident we are going to again have a large Negro membership."

"I am going to stop here, and I hope during the discussion the comrades will give some of their experencies."

unquote

"WM. PATTERSON was chairman and he ordered a five minute break. When the meeting resumed the floor was opened for discussion, with ten minutes alloted to every speaker.

"Most of the speakers agreed with CLAUDE's report, calling it brilliant, but there was a controversal part, which everyone did not agree with.

"Since there was nothing sensational in what the speakers said that agreed with the report in its entirety. I shall dwell on those speakers that had some objections. This included the youth from Chicago - [redacted] He was outspoken on the question of Industrialization of the South. He said the workers in the North were already suffering because of moving plants. He was bitterly opposed to any program around this. He also was opposed to emphasis being placed on organizing in the south. He felt a concentration should be made on organizing the lowly paid workers in the north. He called for other forms besides the PYOC, to attract Negro youth. He says PYOC just doesn't work in Negro Community.

[redacted] from San Francisco was of the same opinion as [redacted] He felt CLAUDE and others had not given enough

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"thought to this question of Industralization of the South. [] also took issue with the report on the question of concentration on large industries. He felt special attention should be paid to workers in smaller plants, where their salary is lower. He felt the party paid too much attention to the 'Elite' of the working class auto steel, ect.

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[] from California agreed with [] She said 77,000,000 workers in this country were below standard and the largest per cent were Negroes. She said this is where the party must place emphasis.

[] the Negro youth and jazz artist, called upon the youth not to try recruiting Negroes by inviting them to folks' sings and square dances. He said this was no attraction to the Negro youth.

[] felt CLAUDE should have given some attention to the gains made in the Negro Community around peace. She said the New York office had asked her to make a survey on the question of fall-out shelters. She has done this and she found the Negro people dis-interested in this. In the first place, she said Negroes could not afford these shelters and they felt that any shelters built by the government would be segregated anyway. The Negro people and the Puerto Rican people were more interested in housing than shelters.

"BEN DAVIS spoke briefly. He agreed with [] that the peace question was one way to catch hold in the Negro community. He pointed to Mrs. MARTIN LUTHER KING being made 'Mother of the Year.' He said this was done because of her struggle for peace. He agreed with CLAUDE's line in the report but agreed some parts needed more thought. He scolded the supporters of gradualism and Lokenism and branded them as forms used to keep anyone from changing the situation fundamentally.

"On the question of the Muslims, he said conditions in this country and within the Negro people's movement make it unfavorable for their sucess. He said, however, the party must find ways of working with them on certain issues, while disagreeing with their policy of violence, because he felt as LIGHTFOOTE felt the Negro people will

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"achieve equal rights through constitutional and legal steps.

"After many speeches of the same category. The following was agreed.

- "1 - CLAUDE's general line in the report be accepted.
- 2 - That it be printed - for (1) Party use (2) mass distribution.
- (3) A sub committee of [] TOMMY DENNIS and CLAUDE sit down and work on this report, leaving out the part that is controversial
- 4 - Negro Commisson meet again in Sept.
- 5 - Negro Commissions be set up in all district -
- 6 - CLAUDE, WM. PATTERSON BEN DAVIS and JAMES JACKSON be available, starting in Sept. to visit every district and help in the recruiting of Negroes.

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"It seems that the party intends mass recruiting in the Negro field, with emphasis on Negro working-class youth. These proposals were approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m."

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"A National Conference of the Communist Party of the U.S.A. got under way Friday night at the Academy Hall_ 853 Broadway, 2nd Floor, N.Y._ N.Y.

"This conference had been Schedule to be held the Great Nothern Hotel, but at the last minute it was changed. No reasons given.

"The meeting started at 8:00 p.m. giving the delegates just enough time to check in at their hotels or wherever they were staying, have dinner and return.

"I recognized the following comrades:

- "1 - GUS HALL
- 2 - BEN DAVIS
- 3 - PHIL BART
- 4 - ARCHIE BROWN - Calif_
- 5 - [redacted] Chicago
- 6 - [redacted] - Chicag_
- 7 - JIM LUSTIG
- 8 - ELIZ. GURLEY FLYNN
- 9 - JAMES JACKSON
- 10 - BOB THOMPSON
- 11 - IRVING POTASH
- 12 - JACK SATCHEL
- 13 - BETTY GANNETT
- 14 - [redacted]
- 15 - DANNY RUBIN
16. - ELSIE DICKERSON - Phila_
- 17 - [redacted] Phila.
- 18 - [redacted] "
- 19 - FRANCES GABOW - "
- 20 - BILL CRAWFORD - "
- 21 - TOM NABRIED - "
- 22 - [redacted] "
- 23 - FRANK PETRINOS - "
- 24 - [redacted] "
- 25 - GEORGE MEYERS - Balt.
- 26 - TOM DENNIS - Detroit
- 27 - [redacted] California
- 28 - [redacted] "
- 29 - DOROTHY HEALEY - "
- 30 - MICKEY - Calif
- 31 - [redacted]
- 32 - [redacted]

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- "33 - [redacted]
34 - WM. PATTERSON
35 - [redacted] Balt.
36. [redacted] Phila
37. JIM TORMEY - N.Y.
38 - PAT TOOHEY
39. MIRIAM FRIEDLANDE
40. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOTE
41. [redacted] - Brooklyn
42. [redacted] Brooklyn
43. [redacted] Detroit
44. [redacted]
45. [redacted] California
46. [redacted] WEINSTONE
47. [redacted] N.Y.
48. [redacted] - N.Y. works in worker office, white, youth.
49 - [redacted] youth from Chicago - white, wears glasses,
dark hair and eyes.
50 [redacted] - Phila.
51 [redacted] Cleveland
52 - FRED BLAIR - Wisconsin
53 - ARNOLD JOHNSON - N.Y.
54 - [redacted]
55 - HERB - W.Pa. - Pittsburgh
white - about 55 yrs. old - short_ 5'6" tall -
135 lbs.

"ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN opened the meeting. She introduced JIM TORMEY who gave the agenda, which was as follows:

- "Fri Night - GUS HALL's address
"Sat.'s Session - 10:00 AM to 6:00 P.M. General
discussion on HALL's report.
"Sun: 10:00 AM - Report on Program on Fight back on
Mc Carran Act.

"The agenda was adopted by the body.

"GUS HALL was then introduced and following are the highlights from his report quote:

"Comrades, it was a historic decision of the Communist Party of this country to stand up and fight."

"'We rejected advice from two (2) directions (1) the idea to just stand still and wait for blows to come and see what happens.' (2) The other idea was to just give up.'

"'We did neither, we decided to fight back.'

"'This was not an abstract decision, but one to put up a mass fight to take decision to people. It also added organizational flexibility.'

"'Let us review what has happened in this mass fight back. A number of things have been accomplished.'

"(1) 'We welded an inner unity. It is the first time in many years, and it is completely welded.'

"(2) 'We isolated and destroyed factional fights.'

"(3) 'We spoke directly to more people than at any time in our history, thru radio-T.V. and press.'

"(4) 'We obtain a new and higher status of influence through broader circles based on policy.'

"(5) 'We were a new factor in the "left," trade union, youth and the Negro people's movement.'

"(6) 'We have broken through isolation.'

"(7) 'We made headway in destroying the Ultra Right.'

"(8) 'The Party is now growing especially among youth, not just standing still.' unquote

"This brought applause from the audience. On the cold war, GUS had this to say, quote:

"'These restricted laws, passed by the ruling class are instruments of the cold war. The cold war was a evil design to halt democracy. It has failed, because of the fight back of the Socialist world.'

"'After all these years and after all the spending, in various aid programs and billions in war budgets, the

"U.S. Share of the capitalist world production has declined."

"It has been a profitable business, but at the expense of the American people."

"These policies have been detrimental to American people. They have led to a period of decline for American capitalism."

"Seven events have happened during this period"

- "1 - Stock market decline
- 2 - Two attempts of nuclear explosions
- 3 - KENNEDY's begging for forgiveness of the steel lords
- 4 - Action of Attorney General in starting on membership clause.
- 5 - Invasion of Thailand by U.S. troops
- 6 - Settlement in Laos, progress in Algeria
- 7 - Primaries in several states.

"The invasion of Thailand and two attempts of nuclear weapons is dangerous and must not be under estimated."

"These tests brand this administration as aggressive. These attempts are criminal and gamble with life itself; and it pinpoints the irresponsibility of this administration."

"These facts must be made known." unquote

"Some one in the back yelled louder and HALL took a drink of water and moved closer to the mike. People in the back of the room were having a hard time hearing. GUS spoke louder now, turning to the question of peace he said, quote:

"The fight for peace is not high enough. Broad masses are ready for an explanation of what's going on now. Many mass groups are discussing peace," they continue to gain forces and momentum. The most active during the past months have been the 'Women's Strike For Peace.'

"Another important development in the last period has been the participation of Negro women leaders in the peace movement."

"There are also renewed efforts to get the Trade Unions into this struggle." unquote.

"GUS than move_ to the Economic front.

"He said goute: 'We can not say American capital has reached dead-end, but there's a need to re-establish Marxists' studies of Economics. We do not need dogmatic formulations.'

"'World Marxists lack freshness and boldness on any approach to this question.'

"'The stock market crash was not because of manipulations, but actually do reflect real problems, both short and long range developments, it has been maturing for more than five years.

"'The past war period found the world in a state of devastation, except for U.S., after World War II.'

"'The U.S. became the finacial material base for capitalists, helping the capitalists world to rebuild its war machine. This development must come to an end.'

"'Loans, export of capital was a source of Economics for the Capitalists. 1960-61 U.S. U.S. Corporation increase expenditures in foregin countries 6%, at home it decreased 4%.'

"'Just a moment on taxes. The proposals by the administration is ridiculous. What will they do with more surplus. Tax cuts for industrial expenditures doesn't make sense at this time, they are already over-produced.'

"'Let's turn for a moment to the Ultra Right.'

"'What are some of the new developments'?

"'Well, GOLDWATER's influence is higher within the Republican Party. We therefore must expose the role of the Ultra Right. We must let the people know how government funds are being used to further the cause of Fascists.'

"'The Mc Carran Act has continued Hitler-like total false-hood. It has legalized and codified them into law. It has legalized the illegality of the Ultra Right.'

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"'Anti-Communism is based on the big lie. It is a tool to destroy all democratic rights.'"

"'However, it has not developed to the level where it can't be defeated. It's a fact that a majority of Americans can be won to a struggle agst. the danger of anti-Communism, whether they agree with the Communists or not.'"

"'Comrade this is one of those historic moments. The working class faces new attacks, but out of this will rise a new militancy. The bearer of this will be a new Left. Conditions are being created that will bring the new for a new left.'"

"'This new epoch calls for a much greater participation of the people. We know the solution is not in an abstract observation, but a program enacted in the life of our country.' uncoute. The meeting adjourned until Sat."

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Agent's Comments:

On 6/29/62, [] advised the CP conference started on Friday, 6/22/62. ^{b7D}

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"The session got under way, sharply at 10:00 A.M.

"The following comrades were present_

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- 30 - MICKEY - No. Calif.
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- 35 - CYRIL PHILLIP
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- "39. PAT TOOHEY
- 40. MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER
- 41. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOTE
- 42. [REDACTED] - Brooklyn
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- 44. [REDACTED] - Detroit
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- 47. WILL WEINSTONE
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- 65. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN
- 66. BOB THOMPSON

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"CYRIL PHILIPS - was Chairman for the morning session.
The agenda was - Defense Agst. Mc Carran Act.

"JIM TORMEY - the reporter. He said, goute:

"'Comrades the fight to save the party has reached a new level.' We have a petition campaign going. We have already gotten 800 signatures on the petition calling for repeal of the McCarran Act.'

"'Attempts to stop BEN DAVIS and GUS from speaking have met with failure. It has made people come out in larger numbers, especially students.'

"'We have established here in N.Y. only, Hall-Davis Defense Committee, headed by E. GURLEY FLYNN. Over \$10,000.00

"has already been raised. 15,000 pamphlets sold quickly, 10,000 more have been printed. DAVIS_ speech at Harvard Law Forum is selling fast.'

"Here is a program of action the Hall-Davis Comm. would like to see:

- "1 - A call to halt all proceedings under Mc Carran Act.
- 2 - " for a Pres. Commisson on a national scale for a repeal of Mc Carran Act.
- 3 - Plan mass action in each area for Sept. & Oct.
- 4 - Regional Conference (2) one to be held in East and one on the West Coast - on Mc Carran Act.
- 5 - National mobilization - July 3, 1962 - agst_ HUAC in Washington, D. C.'

"There friends are the plan of program so far_ There'll be more coming.' unqoute

"The floor was opened for discussion, but instead of the comrades discussing TORMEY report, they continued the discussion around GUS' report.

"BEN DAVIS took the floor, telling about the wonderful Negro Commisson meeting. He went on to express his faith to the party's sucess of rebuilding the party in the Negro Community.

"ARCHIE BROWN took the floor. He told about his now infamous letter to KRUSHCHEV against the Soviet Union's nuclear bomb test. He also said he had sent KENNEDY the same kind of letter.

"MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER spoke confining her remarks to TORMEY's report. She told of the sucess her committee was having against the McCarran Act. She said letters were pouring in from all over the country, contributions, from people who not in the party and have never been close to the organization.

"It was apparent the comrades were determined to continue the discussion, but GUS HALL called a halt to the discussion, saying that people had to be leaving for home and he would give the summary. GUS said, qoute:

"Comrades let me outline the party's stand on ways to meet the economic pressure.'

- 1 - A minimum wage of \$2.50 hourly for all workers
- 2 - Cutting of taxes up to \$10,000.
- 3 - Work for world trade agreement.
- 4 - Sharp cut on all monopoly control goods.

"These comrades would help remove some of the economic problems facing our country today.'

"Another issue raised here, the question of the party's approach to the Kennedy Administration.

"True there's some fuzziness in our view, and its true because the situation is not stable.'

"Basically our outlook has not changed. The Admin. is not a Fascist one. Our real enemy is the Ultra-Right - led by the GOLDWATER and Birch Society.'

"On trade union, as in the youth field we have generalize our approach. I recommend we get out a statement on our approach to T.U. as quickly as possible. As a matter fact, we have already started on it and it will be in the hands of all districts shortly.'

"We must press for shorter work-week. We must call for the participation of labor in Registration drive in the South.

"On the new period, comrades the demand for our party literature is something to see. Our publishers are trying to meet the demands. Yes we are moving forward - go back to your district and build the movement. unquote.

"The following proposals were adopted.

- 1 - Endorsed the Report
- 2 - All district review work based on GULL HALL's report.
- 3 - Broad distribution of HALL's purple pamphlet.
- 4 - Approved report.

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"The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

"It was the end to three hard days."

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A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 26, 1962, as follows:

A Legislative Conference of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), attended by various national and district leaders and other invitees, was held in New York City from June 22 - 24, 1962, at Academy Hall, 853 Broadway, New York City, New York, to discuss the McCarran Act.

It was stated by a member of the Communist Party in New York on June 23, 1962, that in effect the above mentioned conference was a national meeting of the Communist Party and not a conference, explaining that inasmuch as the National Committee, CPUSA, was unable at this time to hold meetings the conference was actually a gathering held in lieu thereof.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION
JUNE 22, 1962

This session opened at approximately 8:30 PM under the chairmanship of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. Included in the approximately 70 to 80 persons in attendance were the following:

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MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER
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ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN introduced herself as the Chairman of the HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE. She then introduced JIM TORMEY, who announced the conference agenda, as follows:

1. Speech by GUS HALL on Friday evening.
2. On Saturday, June 23, 1962, the session will start at 10 AM and end at 6 PM, during which a number of speakers will appear. Sometime in the afternoon BEN DAVIS will speak.
3. On Sunday, June 24, 1962, the session will start at 10 AM and a report will be given on the Party's "Fight-Back" action against the McCarran Act. This is to be followed by a summation at two o'clock.

GUS HALL spoke. He remarked that his speech would be based on the so-called purple pamphlet. He assumed all had read it and he was not going to take up everything in the pamphlet, but would talk about some of the things he thought were important. The pamphlet referred to was authored by him and entitled "Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War!"

GUS HALL remarked that the Party had been through a long period of trial, including a factional struggle, but that the Party was indestructible and would not be destroyed. A lot of unity had developed as a result of the Party's fight-back policy against the McCarran Act. Initially there were elements in the Party who wanted to dissolve the Party and who had been rejected, and elements who wanted to stand pat and assume a "wait and see" attitude. Fortunately for the Party and the

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fight for civil rights, a historic decision was made by the Party to conduct a legal struggle and bring the mass fight to the people. This, he said, has resulted in a new Party organizational flexibility and in other benefits.

Some of these were:

1. The welding of a firm inner Party unity, the first time this has occurred in years.
2. The elimination of the remnants of factionalism in the Party.
3. The reaching of many more people outside the Party, and the establishment of a new and higher status among broad circles of peoples.
4. The establishment of the Party as a factor among the growing left in the peoples movement, the Negro movement, and the Youth movement.
5. The Party has largely broken through its isolation.
6. The Party is helping the masses make real headway in destroying the Fascist element in our country.
7. By defending itself the Party has become a whole unit and is slowly growing.

HALL said that these accomplishments prove the line of the Party was correct. He said the best fighters are those fighters who have a firm conviction and understanding of that for which they are fighting. He went into some of the laws, like the Taft-Hartley Law, the McCarran Act and the Smith Act. He said all such laws are instruments of the cold war and that we should recognize that in these laws are built-in features of a "hot war" too.

He brought out that there is a shift in the relationship of forces which determines the social, political and economic events in the world. He said that the balance of power has changed and not the world. He said there are now more Socialist forces than capitalist forces and that the capitalist world is on the wane. He stated he is not predicting that it is ready to fall apart but we have to be conscious of the change and point this out to people. He stated that the cold war was an evil and a costly failure to the American people, although profitable to a few. He criticized the KENNEDY administration and the continued cold war policy of

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the United States and said our first endeavor should be to seriously raise the interest of and move the people of this country to scrap policies which have caused a decline in the standing of the United States in the world.

He mentioned CHURCHILL in relation to the cold war and said that CHURCHILL had influenced the United States into the cold war in his own interest only.

HALL stated the cold war is also the main instrument of monopoly capitalism and that in its overseas expansion monopoly capitalism had created more unemployment in this country.

He stated there were seven events which had taken place since the publication of his pamphlet that need our attention. These he said were:

1. The continued unusual behavior of the stock market.
2. The two unsuccessful attempts by the United States at nuclear explosion in the atmosphere.
3. The President's action in the steel strike.
4. The action of the Government starting proceedings against ten individuals under the McCarran Act.
5. The invasion of Thailand by United States troops.
6. The settlement in Laos and the progress in Algeria.
7. The primary elections in certain states.

HALL said the two attempted atmospheric nuclear explosions brand the KENNEDY administration as irresponsible and the fact that the two attempts had failed did not minimize the dangers created by them. The obvious lack of responsibility of the KENNEDY administration is a factor in the threat of war. He mentioned the number of United States planes and submarines equipped with nuclear weapons and of these submarines roaming all over the globe. This was another indication of the irresponsibility of the KENNEDY administration and possible threat of war. He said there is a definite need for more effort being made on our part in the fight for peace, and the fight for ceasing nuclear testing.

He went into the field of disarmament. He said the United States did not even present a draft plan for disarmament

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at Geneva and that the question of inspection was not an issue as proven by many competent scientists.

He said the United States was the main obstacle to a policy of disarmament and ending nuclear testing. He felt that our entire level in the struggle for peace was not high enough, that there was a great revival in this country, and the people were ready for more basic reasons in the fight for peace. These were the things Marxists had to be made aware of. He felt our participation in the peace movement was very important but that we were not completely fulfilling our role by our failure to discuss more basic questions with the people. Such discussion should, he said, be in the language of the people, and not run below or above them. He quoted from the May 18 edition of "Commonweal," as well as from "Life" and other publications.

HALL, in stating that we must ask ourselves, "Do we need to change our basic estimate of this administration?" and "Do we have to give up thinking about giving direction for changing the administration?", asserted in answer thereto that we did not have to change our basic estimate and that we should always be aware of the process of pushing for change, that mass movement can change the KENNEDY administration. We should be in this mass peace movement because it is here that pressure put on an administration can change policy. He said a great many things that occurred were due to the policy and advice the President got.

HALL said he did not have any idea and did not wish to imply that American capitalism had reached its end, but that it was very interesting to observe on his way into Yonkers each morning the number of Cadillacs that had run out of gas. He said there was a great need to re-establish the Marxist science of economics and felt that the Party had neglected this area of study.

He said the stock market fluctuation heralded the end of that period beginning after World War II, when the United States was able to assume the support of the capitalist countries in the world, all of which were in a state of deterioration and dependent on the United States. The stock market action indicated that United States capitalism was in difficulty and in a post war decline. He predicted that the false bottom would fall off the real estate market, and that this would be one of the results of the stock market decline. He said we would have a clear understanding of all of these things with knowledge of Marxist theory. He said certain frustrations will develop as a result and this will increase pressure of war as a

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way out. It will also create pressure to keep the military of Europe strong and will give the ultra right impetus to grow.

HALL stated there were certain new developments taking place in the ultra right and one of our tasks was to point out how the ultra right, aided by the Un-American Committee and the FBI, has cost the taxpayers a great deal of money. We should raise the question as to why this money is being spent and who it is benefiting, and to do this right now. He said local Party organizations should become more aware of these things, and that the main fight against the ultra right must be unchanged.

He said some of the basic flaws in our work included a certain reluctance, fear and strong resistance to organizational work in our ranks, and a lack of understanding of the fact that the American people are ready to take part in some of these movements. Also, a lack of independent political thinking, which resulted in failure to offer opposition to ROCKEFELLER's campaign, and a lack of efficient organization, which he described as a form of sickness.

HALL asked, "Concretely, how do we speak to people? This is what we are in business for, to speak to people, to awaken their conscience. What plans do we have for leaflets?"

He said that our level of work is not high enough. Issues must be explained in the language of the people and not in sectarian language. We now have a new sense of confidence, we have a winning Party with a winning cause.

At the meeting an individual passed out invitations to a reception, reading as follows:

"Mr. ARCHIE BROWN, on Saturday,
Member, Executive Board - Local 10, I.L.W.U.
San Francisco, California
Saturday, 6/23 - 8 PM
Festival Restaurant
40 E. 26th Street, near Madison Avenue

"Mr. BROWN is the first victim of the infamous Landrum-Griffin anti-labor law. He was tried and convicted under this law. He is visiting New York to rally support in connection with his appeal to the Court of Appeals. Come and meet him and hear the details of his trial and conviction.

"Refreshments will be served. Bring your shopmates.

"Admission free. Auspices Archie Brown Reception Committee"

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SECOND DAY'S SESSION
JUNE 23, 1962

This session convened at 10 AM under the chairmanship of GEORGE MEYERS. There were approximately 90 to 100 persons in attendance. The following, in addition to those present at the Friday night meeting, were present at this session:

LEWIS MARTIN JOHNSON
IRVING POTASH
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
CARL WINTER

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ARCHIE BROWN
BOB THOMPSON
SIGMUND, from Minnesota
CHARLIE, from New Jersey
JACK, from New Jersey
DARLENE or CHARLENE from California
LOUIS, from New York
ART, from California
JACK GREEN
GEORGE MEYERS
LEW, from Newark
ANTON, from Cleveland
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG
FRED, from Wisconsin
IDA, from New York

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The first speaker was ANTON, from Cleveland, Ohio. He said that the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) had come into their area and had called twenty people. The Party people referred to it as "operation buzz saw." They had had a public campaign against the HCUA and its activities and had been very successful in getting the Methodist Church, the Church of Christ, and other groups organized into a very high level campaign against the HCUA. As a result the Committee was completely inoperative except when a person was clearly vulnerable. Witnesses who were expected to be cooperative, refused to testify or cooperate with the Committee and there was a great deal of self-exposure of some of the stool pigeons, and he expected that there would probably be more. Their activity developed an atmosphere where even the informers felt guilty. Other results of their campaign included an attack on the KENNEDY administration, and newspaper interest and interviews of those called before the Committee.

He said that support of the Party had increased and that people were far more ready and willing to act than we ourselves suspected.

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The next speaker was BOB THOMPSON, who gave a report on labor. He said it would be hard to be satisfied with the status of trade union Party activity, and that some of the things that have occurred within the trade unions created a deep frustration in those engaged in trade union activity. We should not harken back to the good old days of the thirties and forties because too many changes have occurred in the world. Some of the answers to problems in this field lie in our capacity for leadership, that this is a period of time for the modernization of our programs and tactics. He said there was a new and different type of responsiveness on the part of all parties on all issues and we had to fight an anti-monopoly coalition on some of the issues facing labor. He explained that there was a new situation in the labor picture -- a demand for a shorter work week. He said the general picture on the thirty-hour work week has changed and that is of significance to us. He said that the shorter work week is an anti-monopoly approach and that there is a new demand from labor for some independence from the KENNEDY administration. He asked if the Party and the left were going to raise the demand to a new level. This will be determined in large measure on the response from us and whether we are successful in demanding a thirty-hour work week and influencing labor.

THOMPSON said the left must be alert to where the breakthrough will come and concentrate on it. He said there is a certain prospective of aiding this development between now and the opening of contract negotiations in 1964 in the auto industry. He said the left and the Party can be a serious factor in creating an important trend to the left in the labor movement. He said this would be the first major test of the new orientation and development of our Party but it should not be limited to just one industry. We must help project a shorter work week in our labor activity.

THOMPSON spoke of the struggle that must take place to bring into being an alliance between the trade union movement and the Negro People's movement. He said the situation is different today than in the forties and that we must become aware of and take issue with some of the forms of white chauvinism existing in labor today. We had to carry on in the fight to unite the Negro and white. He said this united people and should become the practice of the Party in all areas, and not just in our labor forces.

He mentioned certain developments taking place in the Teamsters Union but did not go into them. He said that we had to utilize existing approaches and at the same time project new moves, the foremost among which was the centralization of labor.

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The third speaker was DOROTHY HEALEY from Los Angeles. She reported on the California primary elections. She said that there had been some gains made in Mexican, American and Negro unity, and that this was the first closed primary ever held in the state.

She reported on the impressive number of right wing votes cast in the primaries. She said this was a repudiation of the two main parties, and that it had given people something to think about. She mentioned newly re-apportioned districts and noted that it was the first primary where there had been a definite split in the Republican Party.

HEALEY stated that the Party had set up three objectives in the California primaries which she listed as:

1. Defeat of the ultra right.
2. The election of Negro and mixed representation.
3. The improvement of the quality of representation in Congress around peace, civil rights and Negro rights.

On #1, HEALEY mentioned the utilization of public instruction as a means of defeating the ultra right. She said that some reversals had occurred, among which was the victory of the ultra right in the GOP race on both a state and national level, although a developing repudiation of the ultra right was observed in the NIXON campaign.

On #2, HEALEY said there had been an unprecedented upsurge of support for a more mixed representation and seven or eight Mexican Americans will as a result be in the California Legislature. The demand for representation was also growing among other groups.

On #3, HEALEY stated that efforts toward the development of independent action within the Democratic Party had been very, very effective. She said the efforts of Party people to heighten the role of the individual member in the Democratic Party resulted in hundreds of workers in the Democratic Party having a chance to express themselves for the first time. She said this should now enable various individuals involved in the activities of political parties to play an important role in a peace campaign by independent action, with her feeling being, however, that they had to be independent not only of the political party with which they were involved, but also the Communist Party as well. She said she felt there had to be a very skillful approach to this situation.

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A speaker from New York then gave a talk on the New York elections. He said there was an ultra right in New York which had succeeded after carrying on a six-week campaign in developing a new Conservative Party to defeat JAVITS. The ultra right was also out to defeat ROCKEFELLER. The speaker predicted that the Republican Party would be a major force in the ultra right in New York and that it would be necessary for the Progressives to do all they could to defeat the ultra right.

The speaker also said that the time had come when no party could go to the polls in New York without a Negro candidate.

CARL WINTER spoke on the Michigan elections, and particularly the race for Governor. He said GEORGE ROMNEY was being dubbed as a possible GOP candidate for President in 1964, and there was a serious attempt going on in that area to shape ROMNEY for big business. The Birchites have announced their support of ROMNEY and the Democrats were running Governor JOHN SWENSON. He said there was a great deal of independent action developing within the Democratic Party and that members of that Party are now able, as individuals, to present their slate on Negro rights, civil rights, and other issues. He said there were 110 delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Michigan who were able to effect a coalition between labor and Negroes.

FRED, from Wisconsin, spoke. He was introduced as a poet and recited a little poetry. He said we should repudiate the charge from many liberals that the danger of war came from the left, that the danger actually came from the ultra right. He agreed with GUS HALL that we should study more the theory of ground rent and bank taxes and pay more attention to economics. He also commented that there should be some nationalization of the land in this country.

ARNOLD JOHNSON Spoke. He agreed with GUS HALL that the level for the struggle for peace must be heightened, and that there was no conflict in the Party around our work with the masses. He said, however, we must examine the character of our work so that we can heighten its level, and that we should ask ourselves how we can contribute more to such movements as peace. He pointed out that there is much literature on peace from the left forces and also a great deal of literature from the ultra right. We should make greater use of the peace literature available and discuss it more. He pointed out that the American people have a certain peace consciousness which

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helps overcome some of the war propaganda. We have to ask ourselves how to overcome other propaganda in order that the United States may become known as a peace country. We must contribute to peace discussions so that it will be taken up by the masses. That would be one of the biggest contributions our Party could make for peace.

WILLIAM PATTERSON spoke. He thought that Marxist economics should be placed in the hands of students, trade unionists and teachers. He spoke of the factors involved in dealing with the Negro situation and of the problems of influencing the Negro masses toward the Communist Party. In this connection he mentioned his attendance at a meeting, termed one of the most important of its kind, of the National Negro Commission the previous day, June 22, 1962. He apologized for not having the complete report of the meeting ready for this session but said it contained certain criticism of our work with the Negroes. He said that we did not always work on the highest level with them and that there was a certain dichotomy. He said we should see as Marxists more clearly how the Executive Branch of the Government is making progress in their promises but not carrying them out. He said, however, that in Congress we have many possibilities open to us in the struggle for equal rights. He said the issue of peace should be broadened and that we must recognize the ultra right is the main enemy of Negro rights.

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A young colored girl, DARLENE or CHARLENE, from California, gave a report on Youth. She proposed the establishment of a youth organization that would not of necessity be left, but which would have a certain amount of left orientation.

LEWIS MARTIN JOHNSON spoke after DARLENE for a few minutes. He gave a brief rundown of problems in New England. He said that possibly the Party would have to help New England with an organizer because there was no one in that District who could spend the full-time required for that position. He said New England had concentrated on raising funds for defense and that he was happy to say New England had turned in \$495.00 that day for defense. However, because of such effort no funds had been raised for "The Worker." He also said some ground work was being done on the youth campaign in New England.

IRVING POTASH then gave a report on labor. He said the entire Party should be made conscious of the problems involved in working with trade union and working class movements.

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Every Party club should have on its agenda some discussion pertinent to the working class in order to develop a working class consciousness.

The report disagreed with BOB THOMPSON in that THOMPSON took the attitude that the Party should not take over the leadership of such movements but rather guide them. POTASH said there would be no breakthrough unless the Party took as its task both the development and encouragement of left movements in trade unions.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT spoke on "How Are We Going to Build Our Party in a Negro Community?" He said there has been some thinking in the past that Negro people had left the Party through fear but that this was not so. He said instead the Negro masses did not identify our Party to the struggle they were waging. He said we have to decide what the struggle for the Party is and asked, "How do we carry through in final form for the Negro?" He said the Party itself would be very instrumental in helping the Negro and that by use of communist Negroes in the community the Party would become identified with the Negro struggle. We had to take up the problem of unemployment for the Negro, which he described as a major issue for the Negro, and open up discussion in the broadest possible manner on where the Negro struggle was going to end. He spoke of the Muslim Movement, stating that it had gained a great deal of support. He said that when it came to the Negro Movement we had to discuss different forms and not latch on to one particular form to the exclusion of the others.

He said there were plans for this coming September for PATTERSON and DAVIS to go about speaking to Negroes in Negro communities. He suggested that what we should do in the various areas was to line up a number of Negro people to be on hand to meet with PATTERSON and DAVIS who could possibly enlist them in the Party.

ART, from California, took issue with POTASH. He said POTASH should re-examine and differentiate between a left organization and an organization in which you develop a much broader force and in which the left is a ranking force.

He first spoke on the role of the Party. He said the present leadership in the Party had set an example in building up the prestige of the Party, and that the Party had re-established itself. He highly commended GUS HALL's pamphlet and said it stood out as being excellent. He said the Party had to concern itself with its peace work and that HALL's recommendation that we should begin a real Marxist analysis

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of peace in this country was excellent. He felt that peace candidates were here to stay and that the left peace candidates did have a role to play. In speaking on the elections in California, he differed with DOROTHY HEALEY, who believed that the right forces had gained there. He also, in disagreeing with DOROTHY HEALEY, said that the GOP in order to win will have to present a labor front and that labor's activities and its independent role in the elections in California had confirmed an anti-NIXON situation. He felt definitely that the ultra right could be defeated there, but that the Party had to play a greater role in its defeat.

He said there was a basic fear in trade unions and that the Party had to give the labor movement more direct leadership. More attention, he said, should also be given to the manufacturer.

[redacted] from Baltimore spoke. He said the question of labor movements was most important, that labor was looking for progressive forces to move them and that a Party sub committee should be set up to discuss what is happening in the trade unions. After that a Negro commission should be set up prior to the elections in order to mobilize the people, and to rebuild the Party.

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LEW, from Newark, New Jersey, remarked concerning city elections. He said one Negro in New Jersey got the biggest vote for Councilman. He also said that every thinking organization in the country was trying to win the youth, and advocated the Party rebuilding its role for winning the youth.

A speaker from Milwaukee said that Milwaukee was one of the cities that contradicted itself by producing a McCarthy and a Governor who repudiated McCarthy. He felt that the Party had to fight for peace, civil rights and against the ultra right. In order to do this we must integrate ourselves with non-communist people and organizations. He said they had certain problems with the Party in their area, that there were people who would not work with other people because they were afraid of stool pigeons.

A speaker from Pennsylvania stated that the conference reflected a new stage in the historical development of the Party. He said the Party's voice should be heard more often in its various endeavors, and in the matter of trade union work we should ask ourselves how to proceed in establishing a socialist trend in the labor movement.

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THIRD DAY'S SESSION
JUNE 24, 1962

This session convened at 10 AM. There were approximately 70 to 80 persons in attendance. The following, in addition to those present at the Friday and Saturday meetings, were present at this session:

SAM DAVIS
ROSE, from Minnesota
HELEN and DAN, from Chicago

Proposals were made and adopted at this session that there be three mass regional conferences, one in the East; one in the Mid-West, and one on the West Coast; that we try to send delegates to all aspirants to public offices and demand that they take a stand on the McCarran Act and other issues; that we attempt to further broaden civil rights committees, and encourage their development on a local basis; that a brochure on this conference and defense fund booklets be issued; and that the Party develop some type of mass agitation against a national mobilization planned by the HCUA on January 3, 1963.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN spoke. She said she hoped this would be the last time we would have to do anything like this, but by fighting back we were defending the Party as we know it and not as it is described by the McCarran Act. She said it was clear that it is not possible for us to register under the McCarran Act and that we have to acquaint people first as to what the McCarran Act is, and to render the legal defense necessary. She said she would be available for speaking engagements.

JIM JACKSON spoke. He said that HALL had been correct in the interpretation of the events that had taken place and we needed to make a very precise study of the events in relation to the effect on each.

He spoke on "The Worker" campaign. He said that "The Worker" campaign was basic to our rights and our civil rights, and that so far there has not been too much pressure put on the freedom of the press as an issue. He said there should be some sharpening up in regard to the KENNEDY administration and that we have to heighten the struggle for disarmament. He spoke of the policy of "The Worker" which he thought had been a correct one but there had been some criticism of it. At the time of the Soviet nuclear explosions the paper protested the resumption of nuclear testing by the Soviets and thought this was a good tactic for the Communist

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Party to follow. On the question of recruiting, he thought that certain problems were not solved by merely recruiting more people, that certain risks were involved that we certainly should be aware of. He said he was proud of the history of the Party and that we were moving ahead. We did not know when the breakthrough was coming but it was coming. He said it was necessary for us to fight McCarranism and that fighting McCarranism was fighting the ultra right. He said that the fight for civil liberties now going on necessitated that the forces of the left move the masses.

"The Worker" is an East Coast communist newspaper.

BEN DAVIS stated that the FBI at CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT's wife's funeral had taken the guest book and joined the mourners. He said we must emphasize the humanism of communism in relation to the type of humanism of the ruling class. He said the Party was still in existence in spite of all that is happening to it. We have achieved something. We brought to the American people the fact we caught the Government redhanded on the question of concentration camps. They were caught in a lie about this and they will lie about other things. He said in this regard that it had been brought out in "The Worker" that this country had built concentration camps.

DAVIS said the Youth Movement and the role it has been playing has been a setback to the McCarran Act. Even though the youth do not go along with the Party on all issues they deserve the right to listen for themselves rather than be told.

DAVIS said that the administration had added to the McCarran Act a provision that industry make public a list of where a particular person cannot work. He said our big question was how to merge our activity with the activity of the masses, and that although there has been a tendency toward this, the Party must work harder at it. He brought out that there was a certain indecency, immorality and backwardness in having political prisoners in America, and that as to Algeria we should express our concern about the mass killing there. He said we should pay more attention to the moral aspects of our Party, and that we should be reaching the moral sense of the people as nothing moves a people more than moral issues.

DAVIS said some of the potentials open to us had deep importance. He mentioned how developments in socialist countries affect this country's economic politics and policies. He spoke of different things that happened in the South and projected the thought that these states were republics and that we did not have a democracy.

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GUS HALL, in his summary of the conference, said we have to have some approach to the economic program and fight for a minimum wage of \$2.50 an hour and for a moratorium on the national debt. He said we had to develop an approach to organizations such as in the youth field, where our approach should be more pronounced than in the past few months. He said the youth field is in its initial development and that the Party should utilize farm experiences in dealing with youth. He said this reference to farm experiences had nothing to do with the Party, explaining that on a farm you plant more seeds than you expect to grow, you weed out the weak ones, transplant others, and, as on a farm, out of all the youth movements the strongest will be kept. He said it had to be a joint project of nature and man, that it is the Party's approach to organizations, and the conscious Marxist will follow it.

HALL said that when it came to independent political action there had to be a certain flexibility in form and level. He spoke of the union action on a thirty-five hour week and of its importance as a medium for moving the whole trade union movement. He said the important thing to remember was to have some form which moved the masses. We have one purpose and that is the best interest of the workers and their organizations. HALL said that when speaking at various colleges he was always questioned about the Party's relations with the socialist world, and the McCarran Act charge that we are agents of a foreign power. He said he has found that although the students will not accept denials they will accept explanations. He, therefore, explains that the Communist Party is a political party in this country interested in building socialism and that having the same social science as other countries with socialist governments we do have a relationship although no organizational ties. In answer to the question he is always asked in connection with the McCarran Act charge, "Where have you disagreed with the USSR?", he asks why they use that as a yardstick for the Communist Party when it is never used for anyone else, and then points out as an example of disagreement that when the USSR resumed nuclear testing we were against such action.

He said on questions of new Party development, there was an unprecedented demand for Marxist literature and that we must make the members aware of the pressure of this demand. In the matter of recruiting, he said we had to convince Party people that it is necessary and possible to recruit new members but that it must be organized.

The meeting adjourned about 3 PM.

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PARTY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
JUNE 24, 1962

Following the Sunday session of the conference, an Organizational Meeting of the Party was held in a closed room in the Festival Restaurant, New York City, New York, at approximately 3:30 PM.

The meeting concerned Recruiting, the Negro, Youth, Independent Political Action, Peace Candidates, "The Worker" and a new publication, "Labor Today," published by the editor of the United Auto Workers Union paper at Dodge in Detroit, Michigan. Approximately 30 to 35 persons were present at this meeting, including:

PHIL BART, Chairman
HELEN and DAN, from Chicago
ROSE, from Minnesota
IRVING POTASH
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
ARNOLD JOHNSON
JIM JACKSON
ELSIE PIPER

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CARL WINTER
HENLEY (ph), from Philadelphia
JIM LUSTIG

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CARL WINTER gave a report on "Labor Today." This is a new publication and five monthly publications are planned, starting the first of the year. The publication is not to be utilized as a left wing or left of center publication, but rather as a forum for labor. It will be a paper for active trade unionists and so far the response has been excellent. Nominations are still open for individuals in a position to act or function in an advisory capacity and nominations will remain open until the services of a sufficient number of advisors are obtained.

According to WINTER, articles, letters, subscriptions, criticisms and suggestions are all needed by this publication.

At the request of the Chairman, PHIL BART, who asked that the various individuals in attendance report on activity in their sections, ELSIE PIPER stated that the section she came from outside of Boston, Massachusetts, had plans to establish Marxist study groups, both for Party members themselves and also for a number of non-Party members who, although outside the Party,

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were, nevertheless, close to the Party. It was hoped that possibly new recruits could be obtained as a result of such study groups for non-Party members.

[] reported that plans had been made for some form of a youth organization in the fall in the New England District. He reported on problems faced by the Party in Boston and requested assistance, particularly in the matter of an organizer. He said in this regard that because of work and other factors there was no one available in a position to devote the time necessary for that position.

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JIM LUSTIG, from New York, spoke and criticized "The Worker" for what he considered was its failure to use language that could be understood.

JIM JACKSON repudiated him and said that the language used by "The Worker" was the same as that used in all newspapers. JACKSON also mentioned certain problems faced by "The Worker" and particularly that it could no longer be mailed.

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On June 21/62 at C.P. headquarters these people were seen.

JEAN SMITH - 3rd floor

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ADA BRODSKY-1st floor-Worker

DOROTHY ROBINSON 1st floor-Worker

ELIZABETH LAWSON 3rd floor

SARAH JAFFE-3rd floor-2nd floor

GUS HALL *

BEN DAVIS *

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BEN BARDOFSKY*

AL (Negro) 2nd fl.

JESUS COLON *

DAVE CARPENTER *

✓ PHIL BART *

SAM DAVIS-3rd floor

BETTY GANNETT *

JIM TORMEY *

MIMI FRIEDLANDER *

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT *

JIM LUSTIG *

LEM HARRIS *

JIM-from Phila. *

[redacted] 3rd fl.

[redacted] 1st floor-Worker

MARVIN MARKMAN *

ARNOLD JOHNSON *

JIM JACKSON *

DOROTHY HEALY *

BOB ? (Negro) *

BEN DOBBS *

BELLA ALTSHULER's Husband-Worker

WM. ALBERTSON *

CHARLENE MITCHEL *

WM. PATTERSON *

DANNY RUBIN *

JACK STACHEL *

WM. WEINSTONE *

CARL WINTER *

"SLIM" ? *

BILL STANLEY-1st floor-hall

ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG *

BOB THOMPSON *

2 boys - 3rd floor

2 girls 2nd floor

JIM DOLSON *

JOE BRANT *

Old man 3rd floor

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Several others who cannot be named or described well.

An asterisk is after the names of those who attended the meeting from 10:30 A.M. until - ? They were still there at 5:30 P.M. This meeting was held in the board room of the National Office on the 3rd floor.

The 2 boys came to help collate the Youth article. They were both dark haired and fair - Dark eyes. No glasses. They looked very much alike. One wore a soiled blue shirt and dungarees. The other wore dark pants and a white shirt. They both carried books. While they worked they talked about Shakespeare plays. They left as soon as the work was finished.

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The 2 girls were seen with [redacted] on the 2nd floor. One was about eighteen. Height 5- Weight less than 100. Dark hair - (naturally curly) worn in pigtail. White blouse and light blue skirt. Shoes were just soles with straps. One around the ankle with a piece between the toes. Carried a huge straw bag that was multi-colored and as big and shaped like a shopping bag. Dark eyes - no glasses - no make-up.

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The other girl was about 18. Short curly hair - natural. no makeup. No glasses. Eyes dark. Weight 100-110 Height 5-1-2 Shoes almost the same as the 1st girl's. Only the straps were wider and crossed the toes. Light flowered print dress. Small black bag. They both went into the Worker office (2nd fl) and talked with AL- the negro. They did not go to the 3rd floor.

"SLIM." He is about 60-65 - Height over 6 ft. Weight 210. He was heard saying this was his weight. Hair very white. Has been dark. Brown framed glasses. Does not wear them all the time. Very fair complexion. He is very close to DOROTHY HEALY and may be her husband.

BOB? Negro. Brown Skin. No glasses seen. Age 45-50 Weight 300- He admitted this to "SLIM." Said he has to lose 50 pounds at once due to so much fat around his heart. Came from California. Seemed to be traveling with CHARLENE MITCHELL. He asked her if she had found a place to sleep and she said she had one in Brooklyn. He had a cloth and plastic bag- the kind that zips around the side. It was of plaid. It was very large.

There were others there but a clear description is not possible as they were only seen as the door opened and closed.

There was lots of typing being done by [redacted] JEAN SMITH and ELIZABETH LAWSON. SARAH JAFFE was put on the monitor board, in the National Office.

The old man looked to be at least 80-85. He was bent over and carried a cane. He came to see "Mr. DAVIS" (BEN). BEN talked to him and when he left BEN called him Mr. FISHER. Small stature- Dark suit. No hat. Very thin white hair. Glasses.

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[redacted] came in and spoke to [redacted] It was not heard who he asked for but [redacted] told him the person was at a special meeting "of the ten". He left without seeing any one.

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Informant advised later that when FISHER departed CPUSA headquarters a stockbroker financial sheet was seen bearing the name JOSEPH FISHER, 1154 President St., Brooklyn, NY.

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At C.P. headquarters on June 22/62 these people June 23/62

[redacted]
JEAN SMITH
ELIZABETH LAWSON
SARAH JAFFE
[redacted]

WM. PATTERSON *
IRVING POTASH
ED ROYCE *
DANNY RUBIN *
DOROTHY ROBINSON
ART SHIELDS *
JACK STACHEL *
BILL STANLEY
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG *
PAT TOOHEY *
BON THOMPSON *
JIM TORMEY *
CARL WINTER *
SOL WELLMAN *
WM. WEINSTONE *
DOROTHY HEALY *
TOM NABRIED *
"SLIM" ? *
BERT NELSON *
LEM HARRIS *
ADA BRODSKY
JIM JACKSON *

ARNOLD JOHNSON *
BOB ? Negro 300 Lbs. *
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT *
ERNA ME NEAL
JIM LUSTIG *
MARVIN MARKMAN *
CHARLENE MITCHEL *
MILDRED MC ADORE *
JAMES ALLEN *
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TED BASSET *
✓ PHIL BART *
JESUS COLON *
DAVE CARPENTER *
BEN DAVIS *
JIM DOLSON *
SAM DAVIS *
MIMI FRIEDLANDER *
BETTY GANNETT *
GUS HALL *
2 boys - -
Man known as waiter at the
Waldorf Astoria.
CHARLIE DURBA
JIM ? of Phila *

There were at least a dozen more who came after the lunch break at 1:30 P.M. Many had bags and suit cases. It looked as tho they had just arrived from some where/not known. None of these were known. All were Negroes. 4 of them women: TOM NABRIED the only one known. BERT NELSON came in later alone.

An asterisk is after the names of those attending the meeting and given the kits that were made up for the "Deligates." 86 kits were made up and only 5 were left on the desk after distribution.

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Once the door to the meeting room was closed the place was very quiet and except for a few who came in late and went right in no one was seen. Those who came up seemed to know just where to go and asked no questions. Almost all of these were unknown.

At about 2 P.M. [redacted] sent SARAH JAFFE to the Chelsea Hotel on 23rd St between 7th and 8th Ave to room 1010, where IRVING POTASH was seen. He gave SARAH JAFFE an article which she took back to [redacted] IRVING asked if there was much going on and many people at C.P. headquarters and if she thought his article could be finished that afternoon. It was written in long hand. SARAH said he had a very nice place and he said "Yes, its not bad. I have a very good friend- one of the owners here---" and he stopped and changed the subject and never mentioned anything more about his friend. The room was more than just a room in a Hotel. It was equipped with a kitchen and combination living and bed room. It was large and sunny with potted plants on the fire-escape and inside. The room was lined with book cases and they were well filled with Communist books. It had the look of a permanent living quarter. Not more than 5 minutes was spent in the place as IRVING had the article ready and only had to look for an envelope to put it in. b6
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At about 4 P.M. [redacted] sent SARAH JAFFE to the Sun Ray Co. at 6th Ave and 20th St. to buy 2 tapes for a recorder. She said she had to have them by 4:30 P.M. as GUS was going to speak then and they wanted to tape his speech. GUS HALL was in the meeting room then. Just before SARAH left the 3rd floor the meeting room was opened for a moment and DOROTHY HEALY could be seen and heard. She was speaking to the group.

The man who is known as being a waiter at the Waldorf Astoria spent much of his time in the back room where he could be heard talking to JEAN SMITH. He was talking about his car. JEAN SMITH asked him about it and he told her he had had an accident with it some time ago and had "junked" it. Then his conversation consisted of a detailed account of the accident and of how well he had been getting along without it. He did not attend the meeting or if he did he was not seen in the room with the meeting group.

JIM. He said he was from Philadelphia. He is about 65-70 Very thin. Height 5-6-8 Weight 125-305. Thin gray hair- No hat. light summer suit- gray-blue. Brown shoes. Glasses with thin metal frames. He went into the meeting room.

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ERIC BERT was not seen- He could have been in the meeting room but was not seen at all.

ED ROYCE came in and went to the meeting room for a little while but left the meeting. He was not seen returning.

BOB ? The Negro who weighs 300 lbs. was heard telling WM. WEINSTONE that some one was coming in on Sunday. WEINSTONE told this to JACK STACHEL but the person's name was not heard. JACK STACHEL said that he was expecting several others to come on Sunday.

PHIL BART told [redacted] to make out a voucher for \$85.00 and give it to BOB for Mid West, as the expenses for the work done - Mimeo, etc [redacted] wanted to know how she should make out the voucher and he said she could do it any way she though best- She said she would put it down for traveling expences.

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[redacted] counted out \$400.00 in \$20.00 bills. She handed it to ELIZABETH LAWSON and asked her to count it and when ELIZABETH said it was \$400.00 she said she was just checking to make shure she had it right. She put the money in a black leather bill fold and at that time the phone rang and she played it on top of the safe and forgot it. Other money was in the billfold as well and folded over it was almost round like a ball. After seeing it there for over half an hour she was told by SARAH JAFFE to put the money away. SARAH said that with so many people around it could disapear and she would not have any idea where it went. [redacted] thanked SARAH and said she had forgotten it. SARAH told her she told her because she did not want the job of trying to bring her out of a deep faint if anything did happen to it and [redacted] laughed and said SARAH was right [redacted] put the mone in her bag and it was not seen again.

It was not possible to tell how many people were in the meeting room but there were so many that they had to stand or sit on the window sill or in some cases share a chair [redacted] said they would be there until after 8 P.M. This was told so some one who called on the phone.

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On June 22, 23, and 24, 1962, there was a National Conference of the Communist Party, (CP), USA, held on the second floor of Academy Hall, 853 Broadway, New York City.

The first session of the National Conference was called to order at about 8:30 p.m. by ELIZABETH GURLY FLYNN. FLYNN announced that this was a meeting to consider the defense of the Party and said that it was good to see so many faces together again. Following her opening remarks she introduced (W) HALL by name only.

HALL spoke for approximately two hours on the subject of the defense of the Party and "moving forward". He opened his remarks with a discussion of the ultra right, his estimate of the goals of Senator GOLDWATER of Arizona and discussed the role of labor in the 1960's. HALL was critical of labor for not moving out and being not aggressive in its field. He then went on to state he described as his "favorite subject, the Kennedy Administration". HALL said that he had been making charges against the administration since its beginning and indicated that it has not changed as a result of his criticism. He stated that the Party cannot give up or cease this criticism because the administration can be forced to change its attitude through pressure from the Party. HALL felt that the act of bringing the facts to the people would constitute pressure on the administration which would force it to change its views. HALL said that the Party was weak in not hitting the streets and pointing out to the people that the administration was not keeping its promises.

HALL went on to discuss the point that he believed the Party was fearful of activity leading to the building of the Party. He said that there need be no fear primarily because the red-baiting that has been expressed in the past is not being done now. He said that he, BEN DAVIS and ELIZABETH FLYNN cannot accomplish Party building alone. He said that the rank and file of the Party must work.

HALL then asked "Who is the Party" and answered his own question by saying that the Party is the people in this room, the districts and all of the individual members. He then counseled that Party members should stop trying to put the shoe on someone else's foot; that they should put it on themselves and wear it.

HALL expressed confidence that the Party will be "built again" and also in the future of the Party and its programs. He called upon the Party to build defense connections in the districts saying that the fight for defense must go on together with Party programs which are peculiar to the various individual districts.

At the conclusion of HALL's report, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN took the floor and said "You are excused until tomorrow until 10:00".

Approximately 100 persons attended this session among whom were:

GUS HALL
BEN DAVIS
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN
LOU WEINSTOCK
BILL ALBERTSON
ALONZO GUYTON
IDA POSNER
AGNES WILLIS

CLARA COLON
JIM TORMEY
BETTY GANNETT
TOM DENNIS
JAKE GREEN
CHARLENE MITCHELL

DOROTHY HEALY
LESTER DAVIS
ARNOLD JOHNSON
DANNY RUBEL
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✓ WILL WEINSTONE
✓ PHIL BART
✓ TOM NABRIED
FRANCES GABOW
ROBERT THOMPSON

[REDACTED]
CYRIL PHILIP
JACK STACHEL
MIMI FRIEDLANDER

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The Saturday (6/23/62) session of the conference was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN who made the recommendation that GEORGE MEYERS be made chairman. This recommendation was accepted and the meeting opened with a report by ROBERT THOMPSON who was introduced by MEYERS by name only.

THOMPSON reported on the Party activity in relation to trade unions. He criticized trade unions for having stopped fighting for Negro rights. On the positive side THOMPSON stated that the main aim of the Party in connection with trade union work must be for shorter hours and more pay.

Following THOMPSON's report a short discussion was held which was followed by an almost identical report on trade union activity made by IRVING POTASH which was again followed by a period of discussion.

The session broke for lunch from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., after which the session reconvened, chaired by ROSCOE PROCTOR.

The first report of the afternoon was made by DANNY RUBIN who discussed youth matters. RUBIN pointed to the youths present and said that membership in the youth field had tripled thus proving that the Party can be built. He said that the Party worked with Advance to bring youth closer to the Party. RUBIN recommended that Party youth work with the leadership in developing and carrying out its program.

A short discussion and a short break followed the RUBIN report.

Following the break CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT reported on "How do we rebuild our Party in the Negro community". LIGHTFOOT stated that Negroes herein joined the Party because of fear of the present attack on the Party and in addition because the Party has not fought for Negro rights as well as it should have in the past. He stated that the Party must prove that it is the leader in the fight for first class citizenship for the Negroes.

LIGHTFOOT also announced that beginning in September, JAMES E. JACKSON JR., WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, BEN DAVIS, and he would be relieved of all Party assignment in order that they might visit Negro communities in all states and cities in an effort to bring Negro people into the Party. LIGHTFOOT advised that all districts should start working on this program now and that they should get Negro groups together and "We will do the rest". LIGHTFOOT concluded his report by expressing his confidence that the Party can build its Negro members and said that the activity which has taken place in Chicago is a good example of this.

Following LIGHTFOOT's report there was a discussion until about 6:00 p.m. at which time the conference was adjourned until Sunday morning.

All of the individuals who are present on Friday, were present on Saturday except [redacted] In addition, the following individuals were present.

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MICKIE LIMA
JUNE GORDON
ALEX KOLKIN
CARL WINTER
IRVING POTASH
JESUS COLON
PAT TOOHEY
FRED (last name unknown) from Wisconsin.

The conference reconvened at approximately 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, June 24, 1962.

Session was called to order by ROSCOE PROCTOR who announced that the chairman for the day would be CYRIL PHILIP.

PHILIP introduced JAMES TORMEY as the Executive Secretary of the Davis-Hall Defense Committee. TORMEY reported on committee activity up-to-date. He said that they had received \$10,000 of their \$100,000 goal. He urged that defense committees be set up at the neighborhood level and stated that the fight for BEN DAVIS and GUS HALL is the fight for "all of us". TORMEY said that government prosecutions might reach any of the individual Party members.

Following TORMEY's remarks ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was introduced as the chairman of the Davis-Hall Defense Committee. FLYNN said that she was sorry that she had not been included with HALL and DAVIS in the prosecutive action and that she felt that she might be too old and "might die on their hands". She said that it was an honor to be a chairman for the Davis-Hall Defense Committee and launched into a recitation of her travels particularly in California on behalf of ARCHIE BROWN. In this connection she said she was going to Hawaii on behalf of the Party.

FLYNN said that she was happy to see youth movement in the Party growing and smiled as she said that she had already picked her replacement from this group. She stressed the matter of building the Party particularly among Negroes and trade unionists and said that the Attorney General was "after" trade unions and other groups, not just the Party. She expressed confidence in the growth of the CP.

Following this MIMI FRIEDLANDER was introduced by name and discussed, there was a need for both the Davis-Hall Defense Committee and the Citizens Committee For Constitutional Liberties. She stated that both committees were needed and that they would operate in their own sphere of activity and influences. She closed with a brief discussion of the support being given the Citizens Committee For Constitutional Liberties.

Following this ARCHIE BROWN spoke criticizing the Party in regard to a letter which the Party had addressed to the Soviet Union and to the CP in Canada.

BROWN said that the wording of this letter was incorrect. BROWN also said that he did not think it appropriate that the Party has chosen the ultra right as a target and that in his opinion the ultra right does not amount to anything. He said that the Party can be built but it must work out a better way to build the Party under present pressure from the government.

Following BROWN's remarks BEN DAVIS spoke. DAVIS said that he did not agree with BROWN and that he felt that a matter of principal was involved and that the matter could be worked out.

DAVIS said that he felt that the youth in colleges are the key to the defense problem. He feels that the fact that the right of a Communist to give his view point has been established in many schools is a victory comparable to that gained by the Freedom Riders. He admitted that individuals in the audience which he addressed were not in total agreement with him, but he feels that the Party is winning by virtue of the fact that he has been permitted to speak at all.

DAVIS discussed the Negro question previously and said that the meeting held on June 22, 1962, was one of the greatest meeting which the Party had recently had. HALL accepted LIGHTFOOT's proposal to travel and to gain Negro Party members, but said that the Party had not fully extended itself in the fight for Negro rights. DAVIS closed with an expression of confidence in the Party and in the present meeting.

Following a break, GUS HALL summarized the entire conference, speaking for about one and a half hours.

HALL said that the criticism raised by ARCHIE BROWN could be worked out and that an issue should not be made of it. He said that he was proud of the youth activity in NY, and Philadelphia, and cited this work as proof that the Party can be built. He supported the THOMPSON and POTASH reports on trade union activity and indicated that the Party should play a real role in the matter.

HALL closed his summary by expressing his confidence that this meeting had set the stage for future activity and that while all of the details had not been worked out the movement could be built.

All of the matters to be voted upon were combined in one resolution accepting HALL's report, requiring that the report be published and sent to the various districts and requiring that a message be sent to HENRY WINSTON in Russia reporting the progress of the conference.

The meeting was terminated with a period of silence in memory of GERALDINE LIGHTFOOT who died recently. Those individuals listed above were present at the Sunday session except AGNES WILLIS, [REDACTED] JESUS and CLARA COLON.

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During the course of the conference, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, in response to a question, told ALONZO GUYTON that this three day meeting was a national conference and that another national conference would be held in September.

1Date 7/3/62

Confidential Informant B advised on the dates indicated below, that on June 22, 23 and 24, 1962, a National Conference of the Communist Party, USA, was held at Academy Hall, 853 Broadway, New York City.

Among those taking part in this Conference, during all of its sessions, was PHIL BART.

On 6/22-25/62 at New York, New York

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✓ On 7/17/62, NY 2858-S* advised that on the above date, LEM HARRIS and PHIL BART had a brief discussion at CP Headquarters, NYC, regarding vacations.

HARRIS told BART he was going to the same place BART had been to. He said he had arranged for a cabin and a car which will cost \$5.00 a day extra. HARRIS said he was going to take his two daughters with him and would remain there one week. HARRIS did not say when he was going.

HARRIS asked BART the name of the guy. BART said it was BRAGO, the Bamoror cottages in the town of Nobleboro (Maine).

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(HARRY MAYVILLE)
(IRENE PAULL)
(ROSE RENAUD)
(CLARENCE SHARP)
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A [] 7:30 p.m.

[] said this would not be a "report" on her attending the National CP Convention in N.Y. this was just "a talk." The theme of the Convention was "Defense for HALL & DAVIS" Several attended from Minn. SAM DAVIS attended. [] referred to a "PHIL" whom she took the Minn. problems, "The Committee of Four" letter - CLARENCE SHARP etc. - "PHIL" agreed with [] the "Committee of Four" letter was written by the F.B.I. -- that it is very possible CLARENCE SHARP was angry enuf to go to the F.B.I. - According to PHIL the CP in New England has been having difficult times - she mentioned a HOMER CHASE case - Boston (CP) is in bad shape --- "PHIL" advised [] the proper way to fight anti-Communism is to be very active Party wise --- be campaign-minded - study - have educational programs - have clubs meet regularly, pay up dues - read the Worker -

It seems CLARENCE SHARP's 2 daughters are CP members - [] said they told their father to stop going around talking against the Party - & he has -

[] said MABEL CHRISTNER was well known to the officers in N.Y. - "a person couldn't work hard for the CP for 30 years & not be recognized" -

IRENE KUSHKE was phoned & asked to have the Woman's Social Club luncheon next Tues. July 3rd -- IRENE agreed. [] will give her Convention report to this club at an evening meeting the following week [] is to report to all the Twin City (CP groups) -

[] suspects HARRY MAYVILLE of being an informer because of his several trips to N.Y. She credits HARRY with keeping CLARENCE SHARP stirred up against SAM DAVIS -

IRENE PAUL is going to Tokyo, Japan in August to attend a Peace Conference

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI {62-21381}
{100-3284} AND SACS, CLEVELAND, CHICAGO,
AND DETROIT

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK {100-48033}
{100-56579}

SUBJECT: IRVING POTASH aka
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(OO: NY)

PHILIP BART
IS-C; ISA-50; SA-40
(OO: NY)

RENYAIRTEL, SEVEN TWENTY SIXTY TWO.

NEW YORK SEVENTEEN FIFTY DASH S ASTERISK ADVISED
ON SEVEN TWENTY ONE SIXTY TWO, PHIL BART CONTACTED ANTON
KRCHMAREK IN CLEVELAND STATING BART MAY VISIT KRCHMAREK MONDAY
NIGHT. BART WAS UNCERTAIN WHAT TIME BUT SAID KRCHMAREK WOULD
BE ADVISED IF HE IS DELAYED DUE TO TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS.
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INDICATING THEY ARE IN CITY. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT SUBJECTS ARE TRAVELLING IN POTASH'S CAR, A NINETEEN SIXTY HILLMAN CONVERTIBLE. IT IS INCUMBENT ON ALL OFFICES TO AFFORD COMPLETE COVERAGE OF SUBJECTS ACTIVITIES WHILE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: JUN 27 1962

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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On 6/24/62, CG 5824-S* advised SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON that a so-called "defense meeting," which actually was a meeting of CPUSA national and state leaders and invited guests, was held at 853 Broadway, NYC, on 6/22, 23 and 24/62.

The above individual was observed at 853 Broadway, NYC, as indicated below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Entered</u>	<u>Departed</u>	<u>Observed by SAS</u>
6 / 22 / 62	X	X	[REDACTED] JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6 / 23 / 62	X	X	[REDACTED] JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6 / 24 / 62	X	X	WILLIAM [REDACTED] BARRON [REDACTED] JOSEPH G. DEEGAN

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TO : SAC (100-31723)

DATE: 7/10/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: CPUSA-ORGANIZATION
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On 6/29/62, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past personally provided a written statement to SA [REDACTED]. This statement is maintained in [REDACTED]

- 2 - Baltimore(REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - (JAKE GREEN)
 - 1 - 100-12076 (GEORGE MEYERS)
- 2 - Boston(REGISTERED MAIL)
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 - 1 - (LOU LNU)
- 6 - Chicago(REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - (CPUSA-FACTIONALISM)
 - 1 - (CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION)
 - 1 - 61-867 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
 - 1 - (LESTER YOUNG)
 - 1 - (DANNY LNU)
 - 1 - (DAVE LNU)
- 2 - Cleveland(REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - (FNU KRITCHMARIK)
 - 1 - (HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES)
- 3 - Detroit(REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - (TOM DENNIS)
 - 1 - (ART LNU)
 - 1 - [REDACTED] LNU)
- 2 - Los Angeles(REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - [REDACTED] LNU)
 - 1 - (CHARLENE LNU)
- 3 - Milwaukee(REGISTERED MAIL)
 - 1 - (CPUSA-YOUTH MATTERS)
 - 1 - (FRED BLAIR)
 - 1 - [REDACTED] LNU)
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 - 1 - (CPUSA-DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES)
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1 -	(DOROTHY HEALEY)
1 -	(MICKEY LNU)
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"The Sat. morning session of the Communist Party of U.S. got under way at 10:00 AM. at 853 Broadway.

"The agenda was discussion on GUS HALL's report and his pamphlet on 'End The Cold War.'

"The following comrades were present:

1. GUS HALL
2. BEN DAVIS
3. PHIL BART
4. ARCHIE BROWN
5. [REDACTED] Chicago
6. LESTER YOUNG
7. JIM LUSTIG
8. JAMES JACKSON
9. BOB THOMPSON
10. JACK SATCHEL
11. IRVING POTASH
12. BETTY GANNETT
13. DANNY RUBIN
14. [REDACTED]
15. [REDACTED]
16. ELSTE DICKERSON
17. [REDACTED]
18. FRANCES GABOW
19. BILL CRAWFORD
20. TOM NABRIED
21. [REDACTED]
22. [REDACTED]
23. [REDACTED]
24. GEORGE MEYERS
25. TOM DENNIS
26. CHARLENE - Calif
27. [REDACTED] "
28. DOROTHY HEALY
29. MICKEY - Calif
30. [REDACTED]
31. [REDACTED]
32. [REDACTED]
33. WM. PATTERSON
34. [REDACTED]
35. JIM DOLSEN
36. JIM TORMEY
37. PAT TOOHEY
38. MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER

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- "39 CLAUDE LIGHTFOOTE
40 - AGNES - Brooklyn
41 - AL - "
42. ART - Detroit -- ART - Detroit - 22 yrs. at Ford plant
43. [REDACTED]
44 - BILL - California
45 - WILL WEINSTONE
46 - GENE - N.Y.
47 - SHIRLEY - youth - N.Y.
48 - DANNY - youth - Chicago
49. [REDACTED]
50 - KURSHMEYER
51 - FRED BLAIR
52 ARNOLD JOHNSON
53 - [REDACTED]
54. HERB - Pittsburg
55. CARL - Michigan - white - white hair - about 60
yrs. old.
56 LOU - New England - white - 6' tall - about 44 - wear
glasses.
57 - JAY - Milwaukee
58 - MEDFORD - Washington (Seattle)
59 - LOU - N. Jersey
60 - BERT - white - Wash. State
61 [REDACTED]

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"Let me say that it is hard to give a description of all these people, as this reporter was not close, since it was a very large room and got the names when they came to the stand to speak.

"The Sat. morning session was chaired in the morning by GEORGE MEYERS and in the afternoon by [REDACTED] from Calif.

"The Saturday session was devoted entirely to discussion, based on HALL's Friday night speech.

"KURSCHMEYER of Ohio was the first speaker. He said, goute, 'Activity in Ohio very high. We have what is called "The Buzz-Saw Operation." We have been able to get 66 churches in Cleveland to adopt resolution against House Un-American Activity Committee. We have enlisted the aid of 275 churches in Northern Ohio.'

"Comrades the masses are against HUAC. The hearings recently held in Ohio were a good thing, in as much as it exposed a number of informers. This was good, because if it continues, the party will have the aid of HUAC, aiding them in exposing and getting rid of important and dangerous enemies of our party."

"An atmosphere was created where the informer felt they were doing something wrong by working with the Committee. Even the F.B.I. was angry because they were not consulted in the using of the Informers."

"This pinpoints the leadership being given by the party and the morale is very high in Ohio." unquote.

"BOB THOMPSON: BOB THOMPSON said the party's role in relationship to Trade Union, should be one of fighting for a shorter work week, now that MEANY and others have taken a stand. He called for the party and the Left to become a factor in establishing an important 'Left Trend' in the Trade Union Movement.

"DOT HEALEY: California. DOROTHY dealt with an analysis of the recently held Primaries in California. She said the role of the party in the primary and its role in the coming elections were,

- "1. Defeat the Ultra Right
- 2 - Increase Negro and Mexican American Representation.
3. Increase activity in Congress around the issues of Civil rights, peace and ect.

"FRED BLAIR: Wisconsin. BLAIR said the possibility of recruiting students was great. He lashed out however against the do nothing policy of the Communist Party members in the area. He called for the Party to start a campaign on naturalization in Wisconsin. He said this was easy since the state owned the land. He said, however, emphasis must be placed on state to utilize land in the interest of the people.

"ARNOLD JOHNSON. He called for a higher level of peace movement. He called for better use of peace literature.

"WM. PATTERSON: He said the economic phase of GUS' speech must be placed in the hands of as many trade unions, students and Professors as possible. He scolded the U.S. Government, saying that the Legislative Branch of the government block Civil Rights legislation that would implement the Supreme Courts on desegregation of schools in 1954. He said the Administration branch was making Promises, but not asking for implementations. He called for a demand to be made upon Pres. KENNEDY to issue a second Emancipation. The session than adjourned for lunch.

"It reconvened around 2:00 p.m.

[redacted] of California was Chairman.

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"DANNY RUBIN was the first speaker. He said goute:

"'Comrades the youth have printed its program and its outlook. We will have some printed for the sections and districts.'

"'There are a number of problems facing party youth. In the first place there is not enough youth consinece on the part of the adults in the party.'

"'Every club still does not have relationship with youth. A large part of the party is still unaware of youth activity.'

"'There are new currents within the youth movement, and they're on the move. The young people of this nation are questioning this capitalist System. They want to know if our party has the answer, and comrades we must have it.'

"'We must build Marxists orientated youth groups, there must be more youth clubs and divisions. We are now discussing building larger non-party Marxist youth groups.

"'We had a PYOC meeting last week end and we had the best representation from all over'

"'There are two (2) kinds of resistance to youth plan, (1) rigidity in recruiting and an attempt to head off the mass recruiting effort on part of youth, using fear

"for security as the reason. These things must stop."

IRVING POTASH spoke next. He called for an organized Left in the Trade Union Movement. He said unless this was done, there could be no break through.

"LOU from New England: He said the party was not functioning in Mass. He said this was due in the main to a lack of no full time person. He said however the peace sentiment is high. We were able to raise \$2,000 toward the \$3M Worker qouta and \$1169.00 toward a \$2000 goal for Defense.

"CLAUDE LIGHTFOOTE said the main problem facing our party is how to rebuild party in the Negro Community. On one hand he said there's the tendency to liquidate party, while others say you really cant build party at this period. Both measures must go. He hit out at Negro leaders who have red-baited, saying qoute:

"'One of the first pre-reqeste is to let the masses know our role today, our ideological concepts. We must do battle with. An example is, Negroes who say "How can we have the burden of being Red, when we have the burden of being Black" unqoute.

"CLAUDE received a warm applause, he went on to say, the Negro could not win its fight in the U.S. without a strong Communist Party. In Sept. he said, he, JAMES JACKSON, BEN DAVIS and WM. PATTERSON were coming to every district to help recruit and rebuild the party in the Negro Community.

"ART - Detroit. Took exception with the question raised by IRVING POTASH, calling for re-establing of left forces within the trade union movement. He called for a re-examination of this question. This brought applause of approval from the audience.

"MICKEY - No. California - called for a strong fight against the outlawing of the party.

"BERT from Washington said there were 77,000,000 people in poverty in this country, most of them in low paying jobs. He felt the party should concentrate on these people.

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"SHIRLEY - Youth from New York - called for strong youth organizations all over the country. She said the youth movement in N. York was growing_ she said a large number of youth have been recruited in N.Y.

"FRANCES GABOW spoke, also disagreeing with POTASH on left groups within the Trade Unions.

"It was now 5:45 - and there was to be a reception for ARCHIE BROWN at 8:00. The meeting was adjourned until Sun. morning 10:00 A.M.

"All the people were invited to the reception_ There was about, 100 delegates to the conference.

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Agent's Comments:

On 6/29/62, [] advised the CP Conference above was held on Saturday, 6/23/62.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118525) DATE 7/12/62
FROM : SA [REDACTED] (421)
SUBJECT: BRONX COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES AND
CIVIL RIGHTS (BCCLCR)
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Meeting, 6/25/62, sponsored
by the Bronx Committee for
Civil Liberties and Civil
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6/28/62

Report of a meeting sponsored by the Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties and Civil Rights (BCLC), on Monday 6/25/62, at the Allerton Community Center, 683 Allerton Avenue, Bronx, New York.

There were approximately 60-65 persons present. SAM NESIN announced that \$80.58 was collected in the appeal for funds. SAM also announced that the Allerton Community Center's Executive Committee donated the hall and \$25.00.

The following were some of those observed in attendance:

1. SAM NESIN - chairman for the meeting.
2. BEN DAVIS - a speaker.
3. [redacted] - a speaker.
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. EDITH ROSENBERG
7. BEN BRODOFSKY
8. HILDA BROWN
9. [redacted]
10. HYMIE GOLDSTEIN
11. [redacted]
12. [redacted]
13. SAL CRISOLO
14. REBECCA MINDEL
15. REBECCA GUREWITZ
16. [redacted]
17. [redacted]
18. [redacted]
19. [redacted]
20. [redacted]
21. [redacted]
22. FANNIE BOBBICH
23. [redacted] (sounds like) provided musical entertainment).
24. [redacted]
25. FLO (previously identified as a friend of [redacted])
26. [redacted] (barber on Allerton Avenue.)
27. [redacted]

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After both speakers had finished their talks, SAM NESIN read a resolution which, he said, would be sent to President KENNEDY. Generally, the resolution called on President KENNEDY to take action against the implementation of the sections of the Mc Carran Act.

PHILIP ABBOT LUCE reviewed for the audience the creation of the Mc Carran Act. He read excerpts from the Congressional debates on the Act. Racists and anti-semites, he said, favored the passage of the Act.

The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC), he stated, is proud to represent the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade (VALB) in its problems with the government under some of the provisions of the Mc Carran Act. The VALB, he said, had some time ago been properly labeled fighters against fascisms. That is, he said, what the VALB stands for today. The ECLC, he said, stands ready to defend any and all victims of the Mc Carran. He stated that he was authorized to make that statement. Defense of the Communist Party (CP), he told the audience, is the first line of defense of all and the Bill of Rights in America.

BEN DAVIS told the audience that the Mc Carran Act is the blueprint for Fascism in America. It is, he said, the beginning of a police state. For 10 years, he state, the Mc Carran Act was not enforced. The law was finally upheld because of the ultra-right fascist forces in America. The ultra-right fascist forces, he said, put the pressure on President KENNEDY to enforce the Mc Carran Act. President KENNEDY, DAVIS said, has done everything possible to carry out the "cold war", but the ultra-right wants to start a "hot war".

The Mc Carran Act contains four (4) big lies, DAVIS said. One, he said, accuses the CP of subversion, sabotage, espionage, murder, violence. These accusations have never been proven, he said, and they are not true. (When DAVIS mentioned the CP, he had reference to the CP United States of America). Another, he said, that CP is an agent of a foreign power, namely the Soviet Union. This has never been proven and is not true, he said. Another, he said, that the CP is part of an international conspiracy. DAVIS said, that this has never been proven and is not true. A final one, he said, is that the CP does not do its

own thinking and takes its orders from a foreign power. This, he said, has never been proven and is not true. If the CP, DAVIS said, had members who advocated violence and overthrow, the CP would expel them.

PHILIP BART one of the leaders of the CP, DAVIS said, had recently won a great victory over the Mc Carran Act when the Court of Appeals unanimously found him not guilty.

BEN DAVIS stated that both he and GUS HALL and other CP leaders have spoken to over 100,000 college students all over the United States. He said that he should write BOBBY KENNEDY (Attorney-General of the United States) a letter of thanks for attempting to enforce the Mc Carran Act against the CP. GUS HALL and BEN DAVIS said, as a result of BOBBY KENNEDY's attempts have spoken to young people all over the country.

The CP, he said, had always known what a great leader GUS HALL is, but thanks to BOBBY KENNEDY and the Mc Carran Act, the entire country now knows what a great leader GUS is.

BEN DAVIS stated that there are four (4) reasons why the CP would not, could not, and will never register as demanded by the Mc Carran Act. First, he said, the CP would be admitting to a lie that the CP is an agent of a foreign power, the Soviet Union, that it is subversive, guilty of espionage, and all that the Act accuses the CP of. Secondly, the CP must uphold its right to plead the 5th Amendment against self-incrimination. Thirdly, the CP will exercise its privilege of invoking the 1st Amendment which permits, he said, freedom of association and the like. Fourthly, he said, the CP would throw away its rights and the rights of the working class and the rest of the American people if it registered.

The penalties for registering, DAVIS said, are greater than for non-registering. If they don't register, DAVIS remarked, the penalty is 5 years in prison and \$10,000 fine for each day that there is no registering. GUS HALL and he, he said, have been indicted for 6 days failure to register. Why only six days, he said. Because, he said, BOBBY KENNEDY knows that if the indictment were greater (in terms of number of days for failing to register) then the entire American people

would see the stupidity and viciousness of the Mc Carran Act.

The Kennedy Administration, DAVIS stated, is using the Mc Carran Act as a method to offset the economic failures in America.

BEN DAVIS stated that if they do register then both he and GUS HALL, who, he said, are still under indictment under the membership clause of the Smith Act, could be sentenced to 10 years in jail under that aspect of the Smith Act. Under the Mc Carran Act, an individual who registers can not hold a job in a sensitive industry. Every non-white collar professional, DAVIS said, is involved in defense or sensitive industry: The Mc Carran Act states, he said, provides for a prison term if a CP member applies for a passport. So, DAVIS said, a person, under the Act, can't work if he registers, can't leave the country to get a job, and a person can get a prison sentence if he registers. Therefore, he said, the Act is a trap for an individual.

The forces behind the Mc Carran Act and its enforcement, BEN said, are the same that HITLER represented and the fascist forces in Italy and Japan. It has been said, DAVIS stated, that the Mc Carran Act has as its objective anti-communism. The Hitlerite forces that almost conquered the entire capitalist world had as its purpose anti-communism but this Hitlerite force was defeated by it, the force that it (fascism) said it was fighting.

The fighters for the Abolition of the House Un-American Activities Committee, for the defeat of the Landrum - Griffith law, the Taft-Hartley Law, the sit-ins, the wade-ins, and the integrationists, will all merge to defeat the Mc Carran Act and the ultra-right fascist forces.

JAMES E. JACKSON, of the Worker, BEN said, has been attacked for defending the freedom of the press. The Subversive Activities Control Board (SACB) he said, wanted to know if the Worker was part of the CP. The SACB, BEN said, already knew that because the Worker has always admitted that it expresses the viewpoint of the CP. JACKSON and others at the Worker, BEN said, told him that they would rot in "Hell" before they register.

EISENHOWER, ALLEN DULLES, TRUMAN, Chief Justice WARREN and many others, BEN said, all have been called Communists by the ultra-right. The CP, BEN stated, will register when these individuals register as members of the CP.

BEN DAVIS told the audience that the Mc Carran Act has created a whole new world of stool pigeons and informers. Everyone knows, he said, what all decent people think of stool pigeons and informers. They are, he said, the lowest form of animals.

The Mc Carran Act, DAVIS said, is against the foreign born.

The CP as a result of the Act, he said, has not folded and will not fold. The CP will gain many more members than it will lose, DAVIS stated.

DAVIS predicted as a result of all the furor over the Mc Carran Act, the American people will see that the only way to social progress and the maintenance of their freedom is through the CP and its programs.

BEN referred to 10 persons recently called before the SACB as Marxists. WILLIAM ALBERTSON, LOUIS WEINSTOCK, DOROTHY HEALY, MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER and a "MICKEY" from California were some of the names of the 10 Marxists mentioned by BEN DAVIS.

BEN DAVIS attacked the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade headed by SCHWARZ as the most powerful single anti-semitic group in America.

BEN DAVIS said that CP discipline in the Mc Carran Act struggle is great. CP members, he stated, have been trained for this type of struggle whereas the American people have not and they will suffer the most.

During the meeting HYMIE GOLDSTEIN remarked to [redacted] that there was a married couple present, the male partner of which is a school teacher, and was a member of his (HYMIE) CP club, but like [redacted] was told to drop his CP membership for a time.

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On 7/20/62, NY 2853-S* advised that on the above date, JACK STACHEL and PHIL BART had a brief and informal discussion at CP Headquarters, NYC.

STACHEL related that V. J. JEROME [REDACTED] is leaving the Party. He sent a letter to LOUIS WEINSTOCK. PHIL BART commented "He is practically a beatnik".

The above is set forth for informational purposes.

1 - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (415)
1 - New York (100-18065) (JACK STACHEL) (415)
1 - New York (100-26013) (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (415)
1 - New York (100-25907) (V. J. JEROME) (424)
1 - New York (100-126741) (415)

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DANNY RUBIN
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On 7/19/62, NY 2858-S* advised that on the above date, WILLIAM WEINSTONE and PHIL BART had an informal discussion at CP Headquarters, NYC.

WEINSTONE stated that in the subcommittee of the literature committee "we" agreed that New Century shall get out a printed monthly literature bulletin. DANNY (RUBIN) is very enthusiastic about it.

WEINSTONE said "we" want a bulletin to put in the hands of individuals, mailed out, advocating not only books of New Era, but also all books "we" should push, including foreign books from "World Books."

PHIL BART commented that DANNY (RUBIN) is working on a monthly letter to a lot of colleges.

WEINSTONE advised BART that he would be going on vacation the first two weeks in August.

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1-NY (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (415)
1-NY (100-9595) (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (414)
1-NY (100-147006) (NEW ERA) (415)
1-NY (100-10909) (NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS) (415)
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ED ROYCE
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On 7/16/62, NY 2858-S* advised that on above date, ED ROYCE and PHIL BART had an informal discussion at CP Headquarters, NYC.

ED ROYCE told BART that he could do better in his job if he had a car, a compact car. (It is noted that ROYCE is apparently a book salesman) He said that the guy "on 42nd Street" is ordering again and paying.

BART told ROYCE to talk to JIM ALLEN. ROYCE commented that ALLEN's attitude toward him is purely commercial and his thinking is very narrow.

Continuing, ROYCE commented that he had cleaned up most of "World's debts" outside. (Believed referring to World Books)

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- 1 - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART)
- 1 - New York (100-144608) (WORLD BOOKS)
- 1 - New York (100-32826) (JIM ALLEN)
- 1 - New York (100-19786) (424)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-55579)

PHILIP BART
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WEEKLY SUMMARY - CINAL
7/16 - 22/62
(OO: NY)

7/16/62

The subject was observed at CP National Headquarters, 23 W. 26th St., NYC, on this date. He was later observed in the area of Union Square to meet with LEM HARRIS and both of them subsequently had lunch.

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7/17/62

The subject contacted CP Headquarters and advised ELIZABETH LAWSON that he was going to be delayed that morning in getting to the office. He told LAWSON to advise JACK STACHEL of this and tell him he would see him later.

NY 1749-S*

The subject was observed at CP Headquarters late in the morning.

Special Agents of the FBI

The subject's wife, CONNIE, contacted ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN at the Hotel Chelsea. After a discussion of their recent activities they both made arrangements to have dinner together sometime that week. FLYNN commented that she was to have dinner the next evening with JIM ALLEN and his wife.

The subject subsequently attempted to contact LEM HARRIS at his residence but was told that HARRIS was ~~not~~ at home.

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The subject was observed at CP Headquarters on this date.

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LENA SCHERER contacted the subject and asked if he and his wife were going to be busy the following Monday evening. Subject said that he didn't think he would be in town then and that he was going away for a couple of weeks. He said that he had something to tell SCHERER but that it could wait until CONNIE BART saw her on Monday evening. CONNIE BART then spoke to SCHERER and they made arrangements to have dinner in the SCHERER apartment on Monday evening. LENA told CONNIE not to forget the message which the subject wanted to send her.

NY 1749-S*

The subject later contacted IRVING POTASH at the Chelsea Hotel and asked the latter about "our arrangements". POTASH said that he had seen the lawyer and had sent "them" (INS) a letter that day informing them that he was leaving on Monday or Tuesday. The subject said that he was holding up everything waiting for him to make his arrangements. POTASH said that they could now plan accordingly. They both then agreed to meet at the office the following morning to finalize their arrangements.

NY 1749-S*

(New York airtel to the Director, 7/20/62, captioned "IRVING POTASH; IS-C; PHILIP BART; IS-C".)

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7/21/62

The subject contacted ANTHONY KRCHMAREK early in the morning in Cleveland, Ohio, and told him that he expected to be in Cleveland with somebody else late Monday evening and that they both would like to stop by and say hello. KRCHMAREK said that this arrangement would be alright but that they should advise him if they are delayed. The subject said that this arrangement would be alright and he would leave further details to KRCHMAREK.

NY 1749-S*

The subject stated to his wife, CONNIE, that he hoped to be in Cleveland, Ohio, Monday evening for the purpose of visiting with TONY KRCHMAREK.

NY 1750-S*

(New York teletype to the Director, captioned "IRVING POTASH; IS-C; PHILIP BART; IS-C", dated 7/23/62.)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)
SUBJECT: CPUSA - ORGANIZATION
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DATE: 7/25/62

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 (1-65-721) (ANTON KRCHMAREK) (Pgs. 6, 8)
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6/22-24/62.

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A copy of informant's oral report follows.

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Baltimore

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GEORGE MEYERS

Boston

ELSIE PIPER (Phonetic)
LOU (white male)

Chicago

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LESTER DAVIS
[REDACTED]
5'9", 155, late 20's)

Detroit

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Minneapolis

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New York (continued)

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ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN acted as Chairman of this meeting and introduced JIM TORMEY who announced the agenda for the three-day meeting as follows:

- 1) Speech by GUS HALL on June 22nd
- 2) Special reports by a number of people on June 23rd. The meeting scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- 3) A program of action to fight back against the McCarran Act on June 24th. The meeting scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

GUS HALL was then introduced and made his report in which he stated that he was very happy to see all the people present. He stated that the Party is still operating and did not die or disband as some people thought after the attack on it through the McCarran Act by the U.S. Government. HALL proceeded to review the McCarran Act point by point, describing the attack on the CP since the Supreme Court decision of 1954. He stated that the Party is defending the Constitution on behalf of the American people and that its position of fighting back against the McCarran Act is a defense to help all freedom loving people.

HALL then pointed out the Party's accomplishments in the last year or so. They were as follows:

- 1) Unity in the Party is stronger than ever.
- 2) There is an absence of factionalism in the Party today.
- 3) Party's program is reaching more and more people.
- 4) The Party can be and is a force in trade unionism, youth and the Negro people.
- 5) The CP is reaching the youth in America and is making great strides in that direction.
- 6) The Party is fighting successfully the ultra-rights.
- 7) The Party is growing stronger daily.

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HALL was very critical of President KENNEDY's administration because he stated it continues to wage the cold war. He also charged that the present administration has led to a decline of U.S. prestige abroad.

HALL then listed seven events he described that the Party should be very attentive to:

- 1) The stock market decline
- 2) The two U.S. failures of attempting to explode atom bomb devices in outer space.
- 3) The spectacle of our great President on his knees asking help from both businessmen and the steel leaders.
- 4) The action of the Attorney General in naming ten persons as being Communists.
- 5) The American occupation of Thailand by U.S. troops.

He stated the above five were important and the two that he wished to name were equally important but in a different way. They are:

- 6) The settlement of the political situation in Laos.
- 7) The Algerian situation in that Algeria had gained its independence and elections would be held in the near future.

Following this, HALL stated that the leadership of the CP needs help from all its comrades and that a few of the leaders cannot carry the whole burden. He stated that defense committees must be built at all levels and help the Party in its fight against the McCarran Act. HALL denounced the ultra-right and stated that it had taken over the Republican Party. He charged that also it has given help to the House Committee on Un-American Activities and receives support from the businessmen and military leaders in America today.

HALL said that due to the economic situation in the United States, the Party should study the Marxist signs in economics because that is the area of the real fear in America today. He said the only solution from this is socialism.

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At the end of HALL's report the meeting was then adjourned to the following day.

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BILL PATTERSON
LOU WEINSTOCK
BILL WEINSTONE
IRVING POTASH
JACK STACHEL
DAN RUBIN
ARNOLD JOHNSON
MIMI FRIEDLANDER
MIKE DAVIDOW
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On this date, GEORGE MEYERS acted as Chairman of the meeting during the morning session and [redacted] acted as Chairman during the afternoon session.

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TONY KRCHMAREK opened the meeting with a report on the House Un-American Activities Committee hearing in Cleveland. He charged that the House had brought stool pidgeons to gain notoriety and headlines in the paper. He stated that GUS HALL and ARNOLD JOHNSON had come to Cleveland afterwards and through their press conferences and private meetings had exposed the hearings and the stool pidgeons for what they were.

ROBERT THOMPSON spoke on trade union work and made the statement that the CP cadre in the trade unions are not satisfied with the present line of the CP. He stated that the demands from labor today include the need for a shorter work week as well as an increase in pay. At the present time, THOMPSON charged, the unions are against President KENNEDY's administration and that the Party should increase its struggle for a shorter work week and an alliance between the trade unions and Negro workers should be worked out.

DOROTHY HEALEY spoke on the elections in California and stated that the ultra-right is very powerful in that state. She stated that it will be an uphill fight but that NIXON must be defeated.

BILL ALBERTSON spoke on the New York elections and stated there are forces at work who are trying to defeat both ROCKEFELLER and JAVITS. He stated that ROCKEFELLER is being pushed to the right

CARL WINTER then reviewed the coming elections in Michigan and gave a rundown and resume on the candidates.

ARNOLD JOHNSON made a report on the peace movement and stated that the Party was receiving great success concerning the pamphlet entitled, "End the Cold War," by GUS HALL. JOHNSON stated that the Party is sending out these pamphlets all over the United States. In line with this he said the CP should distribute

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peace literature. He stated that he believed that some success is being made in the peace movement in that there has been a defeat of the atom bomb shelter program.

BILL PATTERSON then reviewed the proceedings of the National Negro Commission meeting which had been held in New York City on June 22nd. The main theme, he stated, was to bring Negro masses into the CP.

FRED BLAIR stated there is a lot of talk on recruitment into the Party but very little action was taken on this issue.

After lunch, IRVING POTASH gave a report on trade union work and stated that the main concern of the working class today is for a shorter work week and high pay. He stated that this concerns the Party and that every Party club should have some problem concerning the working man on its discussion agenda. The cold war effects the trade unions and also unemployment. He stated that the trade unions are not happy with the KENNEDY administration as they are stepping into every union wage dispute.

DAN RUBIN then made a report on youth and stated that youth work in the Party today has improved over a year ago. He stated that the Party is working with the organization Advance to bring the youth into the CP and is meeting with great success along this line. He stated, though, that the Party leadership should work with the youth so they can see the problems that youth face and how they should be worked out. He mentioned that they have met with success on the periodical, "New Horizons" and that its circulation is fairly good. He stated that the youth today are searching for something and they can find what they are looking for in Marxist studies. He then mentioned that New York has the most youth in the CP.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT spoke on the Negro question and said the big question is how the Party will build in the Negro community. He said the Negroes are not coming back to the CP not because of fear but instead are asking what is the role in the Party for Negro liberation. He said the Negroes say they cannot carry the burden "Red" when they are already carrying the

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burden "Black." LIGHTFOOT said that the Party must rebuild in the Negro community and must prove their leadership to the Negro.

In September, JIM JACKSON, BEN DAVIS, BILL PATTERSON and himself (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) will be excused from their duties in the CP and will be available to travel all over the United States to sit down and discuss Negro problems with any of the Party's clubs, districts or with any mass organizations. Through this program, LIGHTFOOT said, we hope to show how the Negro can be recruited into the Party and how their problems can be served.

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On June 24, 1962, a meeting of the GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS Defense Committee was held at Academy Hall, 853 Broadway, New York City, starting at 8:00 p.m. Those people recognized in attendance were as follows:

Baltimore

[REDACTED]
GEORGE MEYERS

Boston

ELSIE PIPER (Phonetic)
LOU (white male)

Chicago

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
LESTER DAVIS
[REDACTED]

5'9", 155, late 20's)

Detroit

TOM DENNIS
CARL WINTER
[REDACTED]

5'7",
170, in 40's)

Los Angeles

DOROTHY HEALEY
CHARLENE MITCHELL
[REDACTED]

Milwaukee

FRED BLAIR
[REDACTED]

5'10",
170, 40's)

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Minneapolis

SAM DAVIS

Philadelphia

BILL CRAWFORD
FRANCES GABOW

[REDACTED]
TOM NABRIED

New York

BETTY GANNETT
JIM TORMEY
GUS HALL
BEN DAVIS
BILL PATTERSON
LOU WEINSTOCK
BILL WEINSTONE
IRVING POTASH
JACK STACHEL
DAN RUBIN
ARNOLD JOHNSON
MIMI FRIEDLANDER
MIKE DAVIDOW
✓ PHIL BART
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN
JIM JACKSON
BILL ALBERTSON
JOE BRANDT
ROBERT THOMPSON

Pittsburgh

HERB KRANSDORF

San Francisco

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MICKEY LIMA
ARCHIE BROWN

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MILLIE MC ADORY
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG
SI GERSON
DAN RUEBL

[REDACTED]
MARVIN MARKMAN
AGNES WILLIS
BEN BORDOESKY

[REDACTED]
JUNE GORDON

[REDACTED]
IDA POSNER
CONSTANTINE RADZIE
CYRIL PHILLIPS
EUGENE GORDON, SR.
JIM LUSTIG

On 6/22/62, DANNY RUBEL, who attended these meetings was overheard to state that the meetings were being held under the cover of HALL-DAVIS Defense Committee meetings but in actuality they were enlarged meetings of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA).

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At this session, CYRIL PHILLIPS chaired the meeting and introduced JIM TORMEY, who was to give a report on defense work.

TORMEY stated that the McCarran Act not only effected the CP but also other groups of American people. He stated that it denied the minority groups their right to be heard.

TORMEY then reviewed the GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS Defense Committee work and outlined programs that should be carried out in the immediate future. He stated that three conferences should be set up during the Fall - one on the East coast, one in the Mid-west and one on the West coast. Also, defense committees should be set up at the neighborhood level to fight against the McCarran Act. All medias should be used to plea the GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS Committee's cause and that greater use should be made of radio, television and college campuses for their program. New material is needed to explain the McCarran Act as many people do not understand what it is about.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was then introduced as chairman of the Defense Committee. She stated that she was disappointed in not being included in the Government's action against BEN DAVIS and GUS HALL. She stated the FBI are playing it very cool. She added, "I guess they don't want me to die in jail."

FLYNN stated that the Party will not register under the McCarran Act and would fight it all the way. She said that she was pleased to see the Party growth in youth work and hoped that it would continue that way.

FLYNN stated that she would be available to travel anywhere in the United States to speak to raise funds for defense work. She then mentioned that when she had been in California recently she had been invited to speak in Hawaii at any union meeting that she wished to.

ARCHIE BROWN, who was also present at this meeting, spoke on his recent trial under the Landrum-Griffin Act and recorded what had gone on at this trial.

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MIMI FRIEDLANDER made a report on defense work and defended the establishment of both the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties (CCCL) and the GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS Defense Committee. She stated that both are needed in this field.

JIM JACKSON gave a general talk on the paper "The Worker." He then mentioned the recent charges that he and PHIL BART had been brought up on and were sentenced to prison. He mentioned that BART's case had been dismissed by the Circuit Court of Appeals and he expected to receive the same treatment.

BEN DAVIS spoke and mentioned the ultra-right, which he criticized. He also mentioned the Advance meeting that had been held on June 7, 1962, in New York City, and stated that MURRAY KEMPTON had appeared and spoke at that meeting. He said the reason KEMPTON had spoken was to criticize the FBI and their actions at GERALDINE LIGHTFOOT's funeral as he felt that the FBI should be brought out in the open and attacked.

DAVIS reviewed the achievements of the Party within the last year and said that one of the best things was the reaction of the students on the college campuses today. They are eager to learn what is going on and help those who fight for freedom to attack the McCarran Act. The students are defending the right of freedom of speech and whenever a Communist is denied the right to speak on a college campus they rally to his support. DAVIS remarked about the victory of PHIL BART and JIM JACKSON before the Grand Jury and stated it was a victory for the Party. He mentioned that the Algerian situation is bad in the respect that the extreme rightists are killing Algerian people and the Party should speak out against this and make a statement immediately.

GUS HALL spoke in closing for an hour and one-half, in which he summarized the conference and pointed out that he was quite happy with the contributions of youth in the Party today. He said that the Party should follow along the following lines:

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- 1) The Party should attack the ultra-right and fight it in all places.
- 2) We should sharpen up our specific questions where the youth are concerned.
- 3) We should work with youth, become part of them and try to understand their problems.
- 4) We should work towards cutting of taxes.
- 5) We should solve our problems concerning the Negro question and make a great effort to recruit Negroes into the Party.

HALL also stated that the Party in the United States has been accused of being an agency of the Soviet Union but this is a false statement. However, this accusation is reflected in the attitude of the mass against our Party. As everyone knows, we are against atom bomb testing no matter who does it, whether it is the United States Government or the Soviet Union. However, the Soviet Union were forced to test since both France and Britain had not desisted from testing the bomb.

The main war danger is from capitalism, while the main idea for peace is brought forth by socialism. This should be foremost in our minds today.

HALL mentioned that ARCHIE BROWN had recently sent a letter to President KENNEDY and one to Premier KHRUSHCHEV asking them not to test the atom bomb. HALL stated that although he glanced over the letter he did not fully analyze it and therefore would make no statement on it at the present time.

HALL asked the leaders of the Party that when speaking to the working people speak to them in their language so that they can understand us.

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SA HAROLD P. QUINN

IRVING POTASH
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Characterization	Who has furnished reliable information in the past
Date	7/19/62

NY 1749-S* has reported that on 7/19/62, PHIL BART contacted IRVING POTASH at the Chelsea Hotel and asked the latter about "our arrangements." POTASH replied that he had seen the lawyer and had also sent "them" a letter today informing "them" that he was leaving on either Monday (7/23/62) or holding everything up waiting for you" but POTASH assured him that he could plan accordingly. They agreed to meet at the CP office on Friday morning (7/20/62) to finalize their arrangements.

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LENA SCHERER
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Identity of Informant

NY 1749-S*
(Conceal and paraphrase)

Characterization

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Date

7/19/62

NY 1749-S* has reported that on 7/19/62, LENA SCHERER contacted PHIL BART to ask the latter if he and CONNIE BART were going to be busy on Monday night (7/23/62). PHIL replied, "I won't be here. CONNIE will." PHIL revealed that he was going away for "a couple of weeks, probably." PHIL indicated that he had something to tell LENA SCHERER, but decided that it could wait until CONNIE BART saw the SCHERERS on Monday night. CONNIE BART then came to the telephone and made arrangements to come to the SCHERER apartment for dinner on Monday night (7/23/62) at 5:15 or 5:30 p.m. LENA reminded CONNIE that she could pick up a key to the SCHERER apartment from MARY, their next-door neighbor, in the event LENA was not at home when CONNIE arrived. LENA told CONNIE, "Don't forget to get the message" which PHIL BART wanted to send to her via CONNIE.

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1-NY (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (415)

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ANTHONY KRCHMAREK
IS-C
(CO: Cleveland)

Identity of Informant

NY 1749-3*
(Conceal and paraphrase)

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NY 1749-3* has reported that on 7/21/62, PHIL (BART) contacted Mr. KRCHMAREK (ANTHONY KRCHMAREK), LD, Cleveland, Ohio, phone number UL 1-5287, stating he thought he was on vacation like everybody else. KRCHMAREK said no. BART asked KRCHMAREK if he will be home on Monday evening -- late. KRCHMAREK said yes. PHIL stated he wants to stop by -- just to stop by and say hello. PHIL stated he wanted to be sure--everybody he called is away on vacation. KRCHMAREK stated he will be working during the day; however, will be home in the evening. PHIL stated he wanted to make sure--does not know what time--if his transportation is delayed--will give KRCHMAREK a call--late in the evening--does not know exact time. KRCHMAREK stated he will make arrangements.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: 7/30/62

FROM : SA HAROLD P. QUINN, 415

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART
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A confidential source advised on 5/10/62, that PHILIP BART is the National Organizational Secretary of the CPUSA.

Another confidential source advised on [redacted] that based on his knowledge of BART's attendance at meetings of the CPUSA National Committee and National Executive Committee as well as other activities, BART is a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA.

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BARNEY JOSEPHSON
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NY 1749-S* has reported that on 7/12/62, PHIL BART contacted MARCEL SCHERER at OREGON 7-6684, and told the latter that they had enjoyed a very nice, cool vacation. LENA SCHERER then came to the telephone and advised BART that her vacation would start the week after next. LENA also advised BART that "Mr. BARNEY (JOSEPHSON?) from The Cookery fired my brother-in-law after eight years work there, without notice, without back pay." The conversation indicated that LENA's brother-in-law had worked as a Day Manager at one of the "Cookery" restaurants. BART described BARNEY (JOSEPHSON) as "a stinking boss" and LENA sarcastically referred to the "friends we have." LENA related that BARNEY's wife now works at The Cookery and had pushed out the wife of the doctor who went into partnership with BARNEY.

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1-NY (105-5767) (MARCEL SCHERER)
1-NY (100-34665) (LENA SCHERER) (422)
1-NY (100-) (Mrs. BARNEY JOSEPHSON)
1-NY (100-) (Unsub male; brother-in-law of LENA SCHERER) (412)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC [REDACTED] DATE: July 13, 1962

FROM: SA ROBERT C. NORTON

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FURNISHED
BY SECURITY INFORMANT

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The documentation for this information is as follows:

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[REDACTED]	6/13/62 CP meeting	6/19/62	ROBERT C. NORTON (Written)	[REDACTED]

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The text of the informant's statement is as follows:

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GUS HALL	100-19055	CIG
PHIL BART	100-11640	FUNDS
ERIK BERT	100-22557	MCDR
THE WORKER	100-21896	COMINFIL NALC
FUNDS		
JAMES TORMEY		

17 - Baltimore

100-22761	[REDACTED]
100-12490	BILL JONES
100-18684	CHARLES JOHNSON
100-13730	LEE LEWIS
100-10395	MARCUS MC BRIDE
100-12076	GEORGE MEYERS
100-12412	BOB LEE
100-10584	JACOB GREEN
100-10975	THELMA EANET
100-20082	[REDACTED]
100-15185	FLOYD ROGERS

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H. E. Quinn

" Baltimore, Maryland
June 19, 1962

" The following report concerns a Communist Party (CP) meeting held June 13, 1962, at 2544 Laurretta Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. The purpose of the meeting was to try to arrange for a group of Trade Union people to be brought together who might be addressed by Baltimore politicians [redacted] and VERDA WELCOME.

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CP members present at the meeting were:

BILL JONES
CHARLES JOHNSON
LEE LEWIS
MARCUS MC BRIDE
GEORGE MEYERS
BOB LEE
JACOB GREEN

The meeting got under way at about 8:30 p.m. with GREEN asking JOHNSON to tell the others about the Civic Interest Group trying to end discriminatory practices at the Bethlehem Steel Company.

GREEN said that the Party wanted the Bethlehem Steel people to actively assist the Civic Interest Group.

JOHNSON said that he had met with members of Local 2610, USWA, and as a result, a number of people were actively working with the Civic Interest Group.

MEYERS arrived at about 9:00 p.m. while JOHNSON was speaking.

MEYERS then took GREEN aside privately and said that he was upset because BOB LEE, a CP District Board member, who was supposed to attend CP National meetings in New York City June 22-24, 1962, might not go because his wife objected. MEYERS said that GUS HALL, CP General Secretary, wanted all local CP leaders and those close to the leadership to come to New York if possible. MEYERS said that GUS HALL was going to make a report on the necessity of fighting against

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the McCarran Act and that perhaps there would be a discussion of turnover of leadership in the event of arrests.

MEYERS then showed GREEN a letter which had been sent to MEYERS by PHIL BART asking that five people come to New York from Baltimore to attend the national meetings. The letter said that the local Party had to pay expenses. ✓

They then discussed who could go with GREEN suggesting THELMA EANET, a District Board member.

MEYERS then took out a letter dated June 6, 1962, addressed "Dear Comrades" from "ERIK BERT" which indicated that the Party was anxious to have good coverage of the electoral scene including the primaries and the November elections.

MEYERS then stated that he hadn't paid his CP contributions in some time and gave GREEN some money and then handed GREEN \$3 extra which he said had been contributed to the CP by [REDACTED] who, according to MEYERS, would keep paying \$3 a month to the CP so long as she was employed.

GREEN then showed MEYERS a letter GREEN had received from "The Worker" which was dated June 12, 1962, signed "JIM" with a receipt for \$132 enclosed. It thanked GREEN for the money received.

MEYERS and GREEN then returned to the meeting just about the time BOB LEE arrived.

While JOHNSON was explaining to LEE what had occurred, MEYERS excused himself and left.

They then had a discussion on who should back the meeting of Trade Union people which was to be addressed by politicians and it was decided that the Negro American Labor Council should be responsible.

GREEN then told the others that the District Board had held a meeting and that JAMES TORMEY, a CP National leader, would be in town June 14 and 15, 1962, and that all the comrades should attend the June 14, 1962, meeting which was to be sponsored by the Maryland Committee for Democratic Rights. GREEN said that the June 15, 1962, meeting would be a CP meeting also to be addressed by

TORMEY but not all CP members would be present since the Party wanted to send CP members JOHNSON, LEE, FLOYD ROGERS, and MARCUS MC BRIDE, to a Negro American Labor Council meeting that would be held the same night.

The meeting was over at about 10:50 p.m."

This memo has been compared with the informant's original statement and it is accurate in substance.

TO : SAC (100-34316)

DATE: 7/19/62

FROM : SA LEO M. MCGINN

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES
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under auspices Citizens Committee for
Constitutional Liberties

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100-775 HOMER B. CHASE;
100-15973 MILDRED GOODWIN
100-11772 ROBERT GOODWIN
100-568 OTIS HOOD
100-22939 [Redacted]
100-34861 GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS
Defense Committee.
100-33496 ELSIE PIPER
100- ROYAL FRANCE
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(JAMES TORMEY)
(MOE or MORRIS FISHMAN)
(DR. CLARK FROMAN)
(REV. HOWARD MELISH)
(JOHN ABT)
(ROYAL FRANCE)
(MURRAY KEMPTON)
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ANNE BURLAK TIMPSON
CP - FUNDS
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CP - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
CP - LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES
CP - YOUTH MATTERS

"June 11, 1962

"On Thurs. June 7, 1962 Elsie Piper took a bus (Greyhound) from Boston at 11:30 A.M. for N.Y. to attend a rally (and she thought conference on defense).

"She window shopped in N.Y. etc. until about 7:30 P.M. at which time she went to the Manhattan Center at 34th and 8th Avenue where the rally was to be held.

"The Rally was a Fight Back Rally against McCarranism (The McCarran Law) and under the auspices of The Citizens Comm. for Constitutional Liberties, 22E. 17th St., N.Y., N.Y.

"When Elsie first went in she was recognized as a stranger. She told the ticket taker she was looking for Ben Davis or Phil Bart. She had been instructed to look for them when she got there. Later another guy who introduced himself as 'Bob' told her they hadn't arrived in the hall yet. She said she'd go grab a cup of coffee somewhere & come back.

"When she arrived back at about 7:55 P.M. the hall was rapidly beginning to fill up. She spotted Connie Bart and spoke to her telling her she was going to need a place to sleep for the night and asked if the committee in charge had made arrangements for out-of-towners.

"Connie introduced her to Marion Friedlander (ph) who was immediately paged to come to the Rostrum. Connie then introduced Elsie to [redacted] and asked [redacted] if she could put Elsie up for the night. Beth said she could and told Elsie to meet her at the back of the hall when the rally was over.

"Elsie spoke to Arnold Johnson, Phil Bart. Saw Ben Davis, [redacted] She talked to Phil Bart who seemed disturbed because he had written to Lew Johnson & talked to him on the phone & told him not to come this week. Elsie said she had seen Ann T. on Tues. night and apparently Ann didn't know the conference was called off.

"Elsie said she had \$100.00 for the Hall-Davis defense. She couldn't give it to him then as it was inside her girdle.

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"She had expected to go home on Sat. with Lew Johnson. She'd just as soon go back the next day. How would she get the money to him? Should she give it to Beth?

"Phil told her to come into his office with [redacted] the following morning and give it either to him or James Tormey who would be in the office at 10 the next morning.

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"There was more discussion about what happened and Phil then told Elsie that he had won an appeal in his case. Elsie said that alone was worth finding out. She said Ann T. was out of the hospital & looked good.

"Phil said he should have written to Ann but thought she would still be in the hospital.

"The speakers were Ben Davis - who attacked the McCarran law on the basis of it doing away with the first amendment - etc.

"Moe Fishman -- who gave a historical review of the Ab. Lincoln Brigade & its efforts in Spain. The present situation in Spain & the Franco Fascists & called for the repeal of McCarran law, & Dr. Clark Foreman - who attacked the law from the point of view of a liberal interested in Civil Rts, Rev. Howard Melish - from the point of view of one who would establish friendly relations between U.S.S.R. & U.S.A., John Abt - attacking the law from a person's point of view who primarily concerned herself with the rights of the Foreign Born.

"A letter was read from Royal France regretting his absence due to illness.

"Richard Morford gave the collection speech - which consisted of selling The Latest Facts on the McCarran Act.

"Then the main speaker -

"(Also Gus Hall spoke attacking the F.B.I. and its Fascist agents - those people who accept your food, etc.)

"The Main Speaker was Murray Kempton a columnist on the N.Y. Post. He made his attack against the McCarran law and the people who impliment. Made a great deal out of the fact that at Claud Lightfoots wife's funeral the F.B.I. and their agents removed the guest book and even

"joined the funeral taking pictures, etc. He was very hard to understand or follow.

"A man sitting next to Elsie volunteered that Kempton was a Socialist - was leaving after the rally for a Socialist meeting in Washington (D.C.?) that was to take place the next day and after speaking at this rally would probably lose his job on the Post. Also that Kempton was a Nat. officer of the Socialist Party.

"Most speakers were introduced with a movie shot of previous activities such as Ben Davis the Scotsboro case. Moe Fishman - the Lincoln Brigade. Gus Hall - as a 16 year old from Minnesota in the strikes.

"Elsie met [redacted] after the meeting and went home to Brooklyn with her. Tel. no. STERLING 3-6293, area code 212. I don't know the street but the no. was 45 off Flatbush Ave.

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"Elsie asked her if she came down to the conf. on Gus Hall & Ben Davis if she could put her up again. [redacted] said no as she'd already agreed to put up some of the youth who would be in for the conference.

"At the Rally Elsie was introduced to Gus Hall. She said she knew his face, but had never met him and when was he coming to Boston? He said he knew he had to come up to Boston sometime. Elsie said she hoped it would be soon.

"On the way back to [redacted] said we had been having our trouble in Boston. Elsie said she was the gal who had such a battle with Homer. She didn't know if she would have put up such a battle for just herself but it seemed that it was for others too, and there was more involved.

[redacted] said she had met him at a Nat. Committee meeting - and he was terrible. He wanted to do away with the Party. They had had a terrible time with him.

"Elsie said she had been so used to someone like Bobbie Goodwin who was so wonderful - he was such a good guy to explain and clarify issues and all that Homer had been a little hard to take.

[] said she didn't know Bobbie, she'd come from Philadelphia about two years ago.

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"In the morning June 8 they went back to the 'office' together. [] explained that on the first floor were the worker offices. On the 2nd floor N.Y. State Party offices & on the third floor 'our offices' the offices of the Nat. Communist Party.

"James Tormey came out and asked Elsie if she could come back at 3 or 3:30 in the afternoon as there was a meeting in session then that he had to attend.

"Elsie was reluctant, but said she'd check her transportation out and come back if she could.

"She said she wanted to get rid of the money she had for him now in the event she couldn't come back. She gave him \$100.00 for which he gave her a receipt. Also Beth gave her (wrote for her on the back of said receipt) the office tel. no. in case Elsie couldn't make it back. The money Elsie gave came from Millie Goodwin.

"Elsie went back to the terminal at 34th street, checked scheduals - went shopping, etc. - had coffee, went shopping - checked her purchases with her luggage at the terminal - had coffee etc. and went back to the Nat. Committee offices at about 3:05 P.M. The meeting was still in progress and a great deal of shouting going on. James Tormey took her into an office.

"He said the conference was the 22, 23 & 24 of June - we should get as many people to it as possible. He spoke to Phil Bart. - I think he wanted to know if Elsie was all right. Phil said yes -

"Tormey wanted to know if he'd met Elsie. Elsie said Otis Hood had introduced them in Boston when he was up. He had been a shot in the arm to Boston mostly because he was so optimistic. He asked Elsie what she thought of the Rally. Elsie said the only criticism she could make was that there hadn't been enough emphasis on Hall & Davis but then she probably was being partisan.

"He explained this was the first time they had been able to get Clark Forman on a platform with them and by his, James Tormey, working with the Citizens Comm. for Constitutional Liberties he, Tormey, as a party member was able to work with many people of diff. interests.

"Elsie said that was true - he explained that the Rally represented many diverse groups & thinking but they had united against the McCarran law.

"He suggested the one thing Elsie or someone in Boston could do was to write to the Cit. Comm. for Const. Lib. in N. Y. saying they understood something was to be organized in Boston this fall and ask for information and offer to help. In this way a party member can get in. It will mostly be around students but other people can become involved.

"He said he was originally from Maine outside of Portland.

"Phil Bart gave Elsie a letter to get to Lew Johnson. Elsie said what would she do with it if she got up there and Lew had left for N. Y.

"Phil said he told Lew not to come and did Elsie think he'd be down. Elsie said there sure was a mix up somewhere and Lew still could be down. She thought Ann had a couple hundred dollars more for the committee that Lew would bring in.

"Tormey & Bart both urged her to bring a car load of people into the conference. Elsie said she had no objection to bringing her car in - but she did object to riding up to somewhere with a whole group of people and letting them off in front of somewhere. Wasn't there somewhere outside the city where she could park and then they all could come in on their own. Tormey suggested she park at any garage at Upper Manhattan.

"She also said there was the expense of hotel rooms etc., for people - couldn't they arrange housing for people who might need it? Tormey thought that could be arranged.

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"At the rally on June 7, Elsie met James Jackson who gave her an invitation to an affair on Fri. night.

"When Elsie went back to the Nat. Com. office she asked for Betty and was sent down to the N. Y. State office & told Betty was in the back room. She wasn't the girl Elsie was looking for. Later Elsie was told the girl she stayed with was [redacted] - she had gone out to the Century publishers.

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"Before Elsie left Phil Bart told her he had to be in Washington on Thurs. to ans. tax charges."

A photographic copy of the receipt mentioned herein, containing on the reverse thereof the telephone number of MU 5-5755, is being retained in the 1A section of [redacted]. The receipt reads as follows:

"Temporary Rec.

"6/8/62

"Received from New England
\$100.00 for Hall-Davis Comm.

"J. T."

The original receipt which was received from the informant on June 12, 1962, was returned to [redacted] on June 21, 1962, in order that it may be turned in to MILDRED GOODWIN, Treasurer of the North Shore Section, CPUSA, New England District, at the next meeting of that group.

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: JUL 30 1962

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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NY 694-S* advised on 6/28/62, that the National and New York State offices of the Communist Party; the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 West 26th St., NYC.

The above captioned subject was observed at 23 W. 26th St., as indicated below:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	<u>DEPARTED</u>	<u>OBSERVED BY SAS</u>
7/6 /62	X		JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
7/9 /62	X		WILLIAM J. BARRON JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
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A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY 100-4931-Sub O.

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MEMORANDUM

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7/16/62	X		JOSEPH G. DEEGAN [REDACTED]
7/17/62	X	X	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
7/18/62	X	X	[REDACTED] JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
7/19/62	X	X	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-21331)
(100-3234)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-48033)
(100-56579)

SUBJECT: IRVING POTASH, aka
L - C; LAA - 50
(OO: New York)

PHILIP BART
L - C; LAA - 50; LA - 40
(OO: New York)

On [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that PHIL BART, CP, USA, Organizational Secretary, contacted IRVING POTASH, Labor Secretary, to inquire about our arrangements. POTASH said he had contacted his attorney and had sent a letter to "them" (LAA) notifying them he was leaving either on 7/23 or 7/24/62. BART said he had been holding his plans in abeyance until he heard from POTASH. They agreed to meet at CP Headquarters on 7/20/62, to finalize their plans.

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On 7/20/62, Inspector [redacted] LHM, NYC, informed the NYO that LHM had received a card from IRVING POTASH dated 7/19/62, notifying them he would leave NYC either 7/23 or 7/24/62, enroute to the Midwest. He said he would be making a sales promotional trip which would take him to Cleveland, Chicago and Detroit. He said he would notify LHM by airtel of his

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- 2 - Cleveland (RM)
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addresses in these cities. He said he would be gone for approximately two weeks duration.

[] advised that POTASH's notification had satisfied INS requirements in notifying of his intention to travel.

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Offices receiving copies of this communication should alert their sources re the planned travel of POTASH and possibly GALT; also effect whatever coverage is feasible in order to afford the necessary coverage of subjects' activities.

The WFO will be alert to more specific information as to exact departure, which will be furnished upon receipt, accompanied by final instructions re coverage of subjects.

Offices will also effect coverage as set forth in Bulet to Albany, 3/12/64, captioned "CP, USA PUBLIC APPEARANCES OF PARTY LEADERS; IS - C".

URGENT 7-24-62 6-34 PM EDST BD
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /62-21381 & 100-3284/ AND SACS
NEW YORK /100-48033 & 100-56579/, DETROIT AND
CHICAGO --NY 10 VIA WA--

FROM SAC, CLEVELAND /100-1207/
IRVING POTASH, AKA. IS DASH C, ISA DASH FIFTY SEMI COLON PHILIP
BART, IS DASH C, ISA DASH FIFTY, SA DASH FORTY.

RE NEW YORK TEL SEVEN TWENTYFOUR SIXTYTWO.

CV NINE SEVEN TWO DASH S ASTERISK ADVISED BART
CONTACTED ANTHONY KRCHMAREK IN CLEVELAND ON SEVEN TWENTY
THREE AND STATED HE WAS EN ROUTE CLEVELAND WITH ANOTHER PERSON
AND WOULD CONTACT KRCHMAREK ON SEVEN TWENTYFOUR. BART COMMENTED
THAT THEY HAD A LOT OF TRAVELING TO DO IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

SUBJECTS WERE OBSERVED IN CONTACT WITH KRCHMAREK
AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT TODAY FROM APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN
AM UNTIL ONE THIRTY PM. AT APPROXIMATELY THREE FIFTEEN PM
THEY ENTERED GATE EIGHT, OHIO TURNPIKE, HEADED WEST,

FISUR DISCONTINUED.

DETROIT AND CHICAGO BE ALERT FOR SUBJECT-S ARRIVAL
THEIR TERRITORIES.

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WA 7-36 XXX 6-36 PM OK FBI WA WS R RELAY

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SA ROBERT L. PIETSCH

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On 7/20/62, NY 2002-S*, a source that has furnished reliable information in the past, made available photographs of data maintained at CP headquarters, 23 W. 26th St., NYC. Included therein was the CPUSA National Office payroll for the weeks ended 1/5/62 through 6/8/62.

These photographs reflected the following weekly salary payments were made during the foregoing period to employees as noted:

	Gross	Net
PHILIP BART	\$85.00	\$70.70
BEN DAVIS	90.00	79.80
GUS HALL	90.00	79.80
B. MEYERS	75.00	62.80
[REDACTED]	90.00	77.10
WILLIAM STANLEY	85.00	70.70

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If this information is disseminated, it should be suitable paraphrased to protect the identity of the source.

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1-NY (100-23825) (BENJAMIN J. DAVIS) (415)
1-NY (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
1-NY (100-129496) (B. MEYERS) (415)
1-NY (100-58934) [REDACTED]
1-NY (100-82205) (WILLIAM STANLEY)
1-NY (100-74550) (415)

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URGENT 7-25-62 4-54 PM RAM ND

TO DIRECTOR , FBI /62-21381/ /100-3284/ AND SACS, NEW YORK
/100-48033/ /100-56579/, DETROIT AND MINNEAPOLIS
NEW YORK 7/1/ VIA WASHINGTON
FROM SAC, CHICAGO /100-30384/

IRVING POTASH, IS DASH C., PHILIP BART, IS DASH C.

RE NEW YORK AND CLEVELAND TELS JULY TWENTYFOUR LAST.

AT TEN FORTY AM, JULY TWENTYFIVE INSTANT, POTASH REGISTERED AT ATLANTIC HOTEL, CHICAGO. SOURCE, ATLANTIC HOTEL, ADVISED POTASH ACCOMPANIED BY INDIVIDUAL WHOSE PHOTO HE IDENTIFIED AS PHIL BART, AND THAT IMMEDIATELY AFTER REGISTERING AT HOTEL POTASH AND SECOND MAN DEPARTED HOTEL, NOT ALLOWING AGENTS SUFFICIENT TIME TO ARRIVE ON FISUR SCENE, DRIVING SMALL FOREIGN CAR, SOFT TOP, BEARING NEW YORK LICENSE.

CG SIX ZERO THREE ONE DASH S ASTERISK SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THAT PHIL BART WAS IN CHICAGO JULY TWENTYFIVE INSTANT FOR A BRIEF TIME DURING WHICH TIME HE DESIRED TO CONTACT SAM DAVIS. BART INDICATED HE WAS EN ROUTE TO MINNEAPOLIS AND WOULD BE BACK IN CHICAGO ON MONDAY, JULY THIRTY NEXT.

FOR INFO MINNEAPOLIS, SUBJECTS APPARENTLY TRAVELING IN POTASH-S CAR, SIXTY GREEN AND WHITE HILLMAN CONVERTIBLE. NEW YORK TEL REQUESTS
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OFFICES TO AFFORD COMPLETE COVERAGE OF SUBJECTS AND THEIR ACTIVITIES.

AT TWO FIFTYFIVE PM, THIS DATE, POTASH RETURNED TO ATLANTIC HOTEL, CHICAGO, AND CURRENTLY UNDER FISUR. BART-S CURRENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN AND INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO LOCATE.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO ALERT SOURCES FOR LOCATION OF BART. IF LOCATED IMMEDIATELY ADVISE BUREAU, NEW YORK AND CHICAGO. SAM DAVIS CURRENTLY IN CAR OF SIX TWO ONE NEWTON AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS.

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OK RELAY NY

MP OK FBI MP MLR

DE OK FBI DE BAP

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-1696)

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SA HAROLD P. QUINN

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN
IS-C

Identity of Informant	NY 1749-S* (Conceal and paraphrase)
Characterization	Who has furnished reliable information in the past
Date	7/17/62

NY 1749-S* has reported that on 7/17/62, CONNIE (BART) contacted ELIZABETH (FLYNN). ELIZABETH stated she got her books and things out of storage and everything is a mess. CONNIE said she missed her. ELIZABETH said she was in San Francisco. CONNIE asked how it was. ELIZABETH said fine. CONNIE said she would like to get together. ELIZABETH said that she is to have dinner with JIM ALLEN and his wife one day and with her nephew the next. CONNIE said that leaves Wednesday. ELIZABETH said how about after our meeting, she continued by saying I will be where PHIL is. CONNIE said okay, I will make arrangements through PHIL.

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1-NY (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (415)
1-NY (100-1696) (415)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (61-398)

DATE: 7/26/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-)

SUBJECT: ARCHIE BROWN
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2-San Francisco (61-398) (ARCHIE BROWN) (RM)
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1-Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
1-Los Angeles (100-52571) (CHARLENE MITCHELL) (RM)
1-Philadelphia (100-)
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1-NY 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
1-NY 100-103269 (JOHN LEO DEVINE) (422)
1-NY 100-82863 (ARTIE EDELMAN) (421)
1-NY 100- (MORRIS WEISS) (422)
1-NY 100-15946 (JAMES TORMEY) (422)
1-NY 100-13483 (BETTY TORMEY) (414)
1-NY 100-48033 (IRVING POTASH) (415)
1-NY 100-18065 (JACK STACHEL) (415)
1-NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (415)
1-NY 100-9595 (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (415)
1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
1-NY 100-67670 (IDA POSNER) (414)
1-NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS) (415)
1-NY 100-128255 (DAN RUBIN) (415)
1-NY 100-16785 (JAMES JACKSON) (415)
1-NY 100-26018 (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (415)
1-NY 158-34 (ARCHIE BROWN) (413)
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Identity of Source

[redacted] who has
furnished reliable
info in past (conceal)

Description of Info

Rally honoring ARCHIE BROWN,
in Festival Rcom, 40 E. 26th
St., NYC - 6/23/62.

Date Received

6/25/62

Received By

SA JOHN F. LANGTRY -
oral

Original Location

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Information furnished by informant, as reflected
above, was dictated to [redacted] on 6/29/62, by
SA JOHN F. LANGTRY; transcribed on 7/5/62, and authenticated
by informant on 7/12/62.

A copy of informat's oral report follows.

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On June 23, 1962, a rally honoring ARCHIE BROWN was held in the Festival Room, 40 East 26th Street, New York City. There was approximately 100 persons present and a collection was taken up in the amount of \$150.00.

Those in attendance who were recognized were as follows:

BEN DAVIS
GUS HALL
JOHN LEO DEVINE
ARTIE EDELMAN
MORRIS WEISS
CHARLENE MITCHELL
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
JIM and BETTY TORMEY
IRVING POTASH
JACK STACHEL
ARNOLD JOHNSON
BILL WEINSTONE
PHIL BART
IDA POSNER



DAN RUBIN
JIM JACKSON
LOUIS WEINSTOCK

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LOUIS WEINSTOCK, who acted as Master of Ceremonies, introduced ARCHIE BROWN as an executive board member, Local 10, of the ILWU, San Francisco.

ARCHIE BROWN then gave a short speech concerning his persecution under the Landrum-Griffin Bill and mentioned the questions that had been asked of him.

This evening was purely a social affair.

URGENT 7-28-62 12-26 AM CDST RGW
TO DIRECTOR /62-21381/ /100-3284/ AND SACS NEW YORK
/100-48033/ /100-56579/ AND CHICAGO /100-30384/
NEW YORK --2-- VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC MINNEAPOLIS

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IRVING POTASH, I S DASH C, PHILIP BART, I S DASH C.

RE CG TEL TO BUREAU JULY TWENTYFIVE LAST.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT PHIL BART WAS
PRESENT AT A MEETING OF COMMUNIST PARTY AT HOME OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DISTRICT, CP.

BART WILL STAY WITH SAM DAVIS, SIX TWO ONE NEWTON AVE.,
MINNEAPOLIS. ANOTHER MEETING FOR BART SCHEDULED
AFTERNOON OF SEVEN TWENTYNINE. APPROPRIATE COVERAGE BEING
AFFORDED.

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1-28 AM OK FBI W A JS RELAY TO NEW YORK

CG OK FBI CG LC

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PHIL BART

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On 6-24-62, CG 5824-S* advised SA ALYXANDER C
RULINSON that a so-called "defense meeting," which actually
was a meeting of CPUSA national and state leaders and invited
guests, was held at 53 Broadway, NY on 6/22,23,24/62.

The above individual was photographed entering the
above meeting by SA STEDMAN WERNIAK on 6-23-62.

Negatives located NY 100-4931-14321.



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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (100-11670) (RUC)

PHILIP BART
IS - C; ISA, 1950
OO - New York

Re Chicago Airtel to Director 7-26-62, captioned "IRVING POTASH, AKA, IS-C, ISA, 1950" and "PHILIP BART, IS-C, ISA, 1950."

On 7-30-62, MI-249-S advised that PHILIP BART arrived in Milwaukee, Wis. 3:45 P.M., 7-30-62, from Minneapolis, Minn., via the Milwaukee Road. While in Milwaukee, Wis., Special Agents of the FBI observed BART residing at the residence of FRED BLAIR, Chairman, CP of Wisconsin. On the evening of 7-31-62, Special Agents of the FBI observed BART meeting with members of the CP of Wisconsin State Executive Committee, which meeting was held at the residence of FRED BLAIR.

BART observed departing Milwaukee, Wis. to Chicago, Ill. via Milwaukee Road, 11:30 A.M. on 8-1-62. Chicago separately advised telephonically.

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- 3 - Bureau (100-3284) (Air Mail - Registered)
- ② - New York (100-56579) (Air Mail - Registered)
- 1 - Chicago (100-2644) (Registered Mail)
- 1 - Minneapolis (100-8208) (Air Mail - Registered)
- 1 - MI 100-11670

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URGENT

TO: SACS MILWAUKEE AND CHICAGO (100-30384)

FROM: SAC MINNEAPOLIS (100-8208)

IRVING POTASH, IS DASH C; PHILIP BART, IS DASH C.

[REDACTED] LEARNED TODAY FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CHAIRMAN OF MINNESOTA DASH DAKOTAS DISTRICT OF THE
COMMUNIST PARTY, THAT BART LEFT JULY THIRTY LAST IN THE
MORNING FOR MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE CHECK SOURCES AND IF LOCATED, ADVISE BUREAU,
NEW YORK, AND CHICAGO.

BART MAY BE TRAVELING IN POTASH'S NINETEEN SIXTY GREEN
AND WHITE HILLMAN CONVERTIBLE.

TWO COPIES MAILED NEW YORK.

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(1 - 100-48033)
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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

PHILIP BART
IS-C; ISA-50; SA-40
WEEKLY SUMMARY 7/23-29/62
CINAL

Subject is presently traveling outside of NY in the company of IRVING POTASH on CP business. They are expected to return to NY the week of August 6.

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- 1 - New York (100-56579)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-33740)

CP, USA - MEMBERSHIP
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(OO:NY)

EXTREME CAUTION MUST BE UTILIZED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY HANDLING OR REPORTING OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF THIS HIGHLY PLACED SOURCE. SINCE THE INFORMATION BY ITS VERY NATURE TENDS TO IDENTIFY THIS SOURCE, IT SHOULD BE COMPLETELY PARAPHRASED IF FOUND NECESSARY TO BE SET FORTH IN ANY REPORT FOR DISSEMINATION.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two copies of an informant's statement dated August 2, 1962, containing information orally furnished on August 2, 1962, by CG 5824-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, to SA RICHARD W. HANSEN. This information was reduced to writing on August 3, 1962, and the original report is maintained in CGfile A)134-46-7641.

2-Bureau (Enc. 2)(RM)

4-New York (RM)

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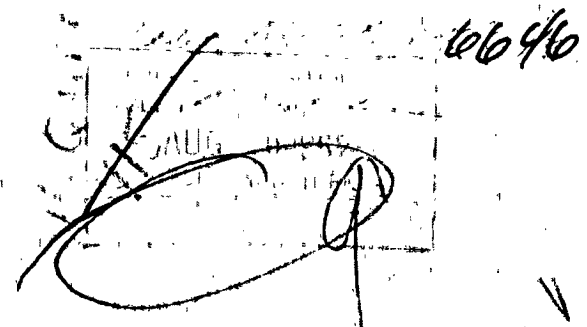
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August 2, 1962

While engaged in some private, confidential discussion on August 2, 1962, PHIL BART was overheard to bring up the question of the Party's current membership. In this regard, BART noted that as far as he knows, the membership figure for the Party is currently at a standstill. While dues payments are coming in at a good pace, they do not reflect the current membership totals. This, BART noted, resulted from the fact that during the Spring of 1962 many of the districts paid up delinquent dues for the year 1961 and that while these dues payments probably reflect quite accurately the membership for late 1961, they do not hold valid for 1962. When it was noted that in regard to dealing with the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the membership figure for the Communist Party, USA, is normally referred to as being between eight to ten thousand members, BART noted that "if you cut the figure in half, you have got it."

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REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 8/1/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 6/9 - 7/27/62
TITLE OF CASE PHILIP DANE		REPORT MADE BY HAROLD P. QUINN	TYPED BY THO
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C INTERNAL SECURITY ACT - 1950	

REFERENCE:

Report of SA HAROLD P. QUINN, at NY,
dated 6/15/62.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The enclosed report is broken down into two sections as per Bureau instructions. Part I contains the admissible evidence and Part II, the inadmissible evidence.

DANE is an unindicted Smith Act subject and the character of Smith Act - 1940 appears on the original copy of this report.

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5/24/62	
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5/28/62	WILLIAM J. BARRON
5/29/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/1/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/4/62	WILLIAM J. BARRON
6/5/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/6/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/7/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/11/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/13/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
6/14/62	JOSEPH G. DEEGAN
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At New York, New York

Will follow and report subject's activities.

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1. ☐ Subject's name is included in the Security Index.
2. ☒ The data appearing on the Security Index card are current.
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4. ☐ A suitable photograph ☐ is ☐ is not available.
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6. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____.
7. ☒ This report is classified _____ because (state reason) confidential (U)

information attributed from NY T-1 through NY T-14, the unauthorized disclosure of which could impair the future effectiveness of these techniques and this impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interest of the country.

8. ☐ Subject previously interviewed (dates) _____.
- ☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) _____.

of the subject's position as a National Officer in the CP, USA.

9. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
10. ☒ This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) _____.

subject is National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

11. ☐ Subject's SI card ☐ is ☐ is not tabbed Detcom.
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Report of:

HAROLD P. QUINN

Office:

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Date:

August 1, 1962

Field Office File No.:

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100-3284

Title:

PHILIP BART

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - ~~C~~
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT - 1950

Synopsis:

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Subject resides at 2415 Newcirk Ave., Brooklyn, NY, and is employed by the CP, USA, as National Organizational Secretary. Subject attended an enlarged meeting of the CP National and District Leadership in June. He was chairman of a meeting of representatives of CP Districts and attended an enlarged meeting of the National Negro Commission during the same period. His activities in the New Jersey CP District set forth. His attendance at other National CP meetings and other activities set out.

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DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

Residence

Subject resides at 2415 Newkirk Avenue,
Apartment 4G, Brooklyn, New York.

Mrs. MARIAN GULICK
Superintendent
2415 Newkirk Avenue
Brooklyn, New York
July 25, 1962

PART I.

AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST
MOVEMENT

A. Employment

Subject is employed as National Organizational
Secretary of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA).

NY T-1
June 29, 1962

B. Subject's Attendance at
National CP Meetings

The subject was in attendance at an enlarged
meeting of the CP, USA, National and District Leadership
and other invitees held at Academy Hall, New York City,
starting the evening of June 22, 1962, and continuing until
June 24, 1962.

NY T-1
June 26, 27 and 28, 1962

NY T-2
June 26, 1962

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NY T-3
July 3, 1962

NY T-4
July 2, 3, 5, 1962

NY T-5
June 29, 1962

NY T-6
June 26, 1962

NY T-7
June 22, 23, and 24, 1962

After the meeting described above was over at approximately 3:00 p.m., on June 24, 1962, the subject met with about 30 representatives of various districts of the CP, USA, at the Festival Restaurant, 30 East 26th Street, New York City. The subject was the chairman of this meeting, which was called for the purpose of having the various districts make reports and to give a plan of activity for the future. The subject, in his talk, urged a return to membership recruiting which was, he termed, urgent. He asked the districts to set out quotas for this and to conceive a well planned program.

NY T-1
June 28, 1962

NY T-2
June 26, 1962

NY T-3
July 3, 1962

NY T-6
June 26, 1962

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C. Subject's Attendance at
National Negro Commission
Meeting

The subject was present at a meeting of the enlarged National Negro Commission of the CP, USA, held at CP Headquarters, New York City, on June 22, 1962.

NY T-5
June 26, 1962

NY T-7
June 22, 1962

D. Subject's Activities
in the New Jersey CP
District

The subject attended a meeting of the New Jersey CP State Organizers, held on May 14, 1962, in Newark, New Jersey.

The subject was introduced to the meeting as having been sent by the National Office to talk on the political situation of the CP and its future. Most of his talk was to the point that there was a movement toward more progressive thinking in the country and that the CP must take advantage of this. He stated that this could be done through a more active leadership which should include everyone, even himself.

NY T-2
May 16, 1962

NY T-3
May 17, 1962

NY T-8
May 15, 1962

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E. Subject's Appearances at
CP Headquarters

During the period of this report, the subject was observed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on almost a daily basis entering or leaving CP Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York, New York.

F. Miscellaneous

Subject attended a Rally to Abolish the McCarran Act sponsored by the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties (CCFCL) held at Manhattan Center, New York City, on June 7, 1962.

During the meeting, one of the speakers referred to the subject and the fact that his "case" had been one which augured well for the meeting and its hopes.

NY T-9
June 11, 1962

NY T-10
June 13, 1962

NY T-11
June 19, 1962

The CCFCL is contained in the Appendix
Section of this report.

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PART II.

A. Employment

The subject's name appeared on the payroll record for the National Office of the CP, USA, for the weeks January 5, 1962, through June 8, 1962.

NY T-12
July 20, 1962

B. Subject's Attendance at
National CP Meetings

Set forth below are a list of meetings which took place at the National Office of the CP, USA, 23 West 26th Street, New York City, at which the subject was present, along with the dates on which they took place and the source who furnished the information:

<u>Description of Meeting</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Source</u>
CP National Functionaries	June 5, 1962	NY T-13
CP National Functionaries	June 8, 1962	NY T-13
CP National Functionaries	June 13, 1962	NY T-13
CP National Functionaries	June 19, 1962	NY T-13
New York District CP Secretariat	June 20, 1962	NY T-14

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APPENDIX

CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
LIBERTIES

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties:

"CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
LIBERTIES (NEW YORK CITY)

- "1. 'On the basis of its investigations and hearings to date, the committee concludes that the National Assembly for Democratic Rights and a coordinating and organizing group in support thereof, titled the "Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties," are Communist fronts. Created, dominated, and controlled by members and officials of the Communist Party, the National Assembly for Democratic Rights and the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties were organized as propaganda devices for the conduct of "mass activity" in support of the avowed objective of "reversal or nonapplication" of the Supreme Court decisions of June 5, 1961, which upheld the constitutionality of the registration and disclosure provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950 as applied to the Communist Party, and the Smith Act membership clause making punishable active and purposive membership in the Communist Party.'

'* * * The long-range objective of the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties is to serve as the vehicle for concealed Communist participation in, and direction of, propaganda and agitational activities aimed to nullify the Internal Security and Smith Acts.'

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APPENDIX

CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
LIBERTIES (CONT'D)

"* * * Committee investigation disclosed that the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties was formed on or about June 12, 1961 * * * (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report and Hearings on Manipulation of Public Opinion by Organizations Under Concealed Control of the Communist Party (National Assembly for Democratic Rights and Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties), House Report 1282, Part 1, October 2 and 3, 1961, pp. 137, 143 and 144.)"

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Reference

Internal Security Act - 1950

is made to report of
Special Agent Harold P. Quinn, dated and captioned as above,
at New York.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-145082)

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7/9/62

SA WILLIAM A. FLYNN, JR. (42)

CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES
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Identity of Source

Description of info

Activity at the office of
the Citizens Committee For
Constitutional Liberties.

Date Received

6/19/62

Original Located

A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-149234 (GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS DEFENSE COM) (415)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] (MRS. FNU COLON) ()
- 1 - 100-136706 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-93665 (MYRIAM FRIEDLANDER) (421)
- 1 - 100-120473 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] END. PRESENT AT CCCL ADDRESS AS PER [redacted]
- ① - 100- [redacted] (415)
- 1 - 100-145082 (415)

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June 7, 1962

A stop was made at the Gus Hall-Benjamin Davis Defense Committee located at 22 East 17th Street in New York City.

Mrs. Colon stated that there was nothing doing right now and [redacted] said he had an hour or so and would take a run up to The Citizens Committee For Constitutional Liberties.

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At The Citizens Committee For Constitutional Liberties located at the same address, there were three women at the time of visit. They were: [redacted] Miriam Friedlander and [redacted]

[redacted] asked if [redacted] would start working on the ushers kits for the scheduled meeting that evening. [redacted] said he would.

Miriam Friedlander received a telephone call and was jubilant about some news that she had just heard pertaining to a decision in favor of [redacted] (phonetic) and remarked that his case was thrown out of court. ✓

[redacted] mentioned that her husband was a schoolteacher and taught music.

[redacted] asked [redacted] where he worked, what he did and what time he would get through work today. [redacted] told her and asked if she needed any help after he got through work. [redacted] said she did and that was the reason why she asked and that she was expecting Jack with his car but did not know if there would be enough room in his car to take everything over to Manhattan Center.

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TO : SAC (100-547)

DATE: 7/18/62

FROM : SA LEO M. MCGINN

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Date of Report

6/11/62

Date(s) of activity

6/5/62

Brief description of activity or material

~~Visit of ELSIE and CHARLES PIPER with~~
~~ANNE BURLAK TIMPSON~~

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Remarks:

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Informant's report follows:

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Mrs. GABE KANTROVITZ

5-New York (RM)

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1 - (100-56579 PHIL BART)
1 - (100-23825 BEN DAVIS)
1 - (100-16021 ARNOLD JOHNSON)
1 - (100-15946 JAMES TORMEY)

21-Boston (100-547)

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100-15355 EDITH ABBEY
100-34861 GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS
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"June 11, 1962

"On Tues. evening June 5, 1962 Elsie & Charlie Piper visited Ann Timpson. Elsie said she was going to N. Y. for the rally on June 7 and told Ann the North Shore had \$100.00 for the Gus Hall-Ben Davis Defense Fund and asked Ann who she should give it to.

"Ann told her not to give it to the collection at the Rally but to seek out Ben Davis or Phil Bart or James Tormey and give it to one of them.

"Elsie also asked Ann about getting housing while she was there.

"Ann said to get to the rally early & look up some one she knew - Arnold Johnson, Phil Bart or Ben Davis and let them know she needed a place to stay.

"Elsie told Ann Nick Denesuk was in the hospital. Ann told her the police had taken Dan Fedorak to the hospital.

"Elsie said Dan had told her he was going to the Soviet Union about the 27 of June.

"Ann didn't know about that, but said Dan didn't stay at the hospital and she expected to see him soon.

"Elsie said she'd ordered a sweater for him to take with him and wondered how she'd get it to him.

"Ann told her he lived at 66 Compton St. Elsie told Ann Sol Fisher was planning to go to Europe on a tour to Isreal and possibly to the Soviet Union.

"Elsie told Ann they were having a party at Eva Mamber's in Lynn to raise funds for defense. Elsie explained that Eva & some of the Emma Lazarus women objected to inviting well known party people to the affair.

"Elsie said there were a few people she still wanted to send invitations to but didn't have their addresses.

"Elsie asked Ann for the addresses of Helen & Wolger Johnson - Ann said they lived at 76 Radcliff St. in Dorchester

"of [redacted] [redacted], Mass.

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"of Bertha Goldberg - 387 Norfolk Ave.,
Dorchester, Mass.

"of Edith Aber - 23 Westbourne Terrace
Brooklin_, Mass.

"of [redacted] Mass.

"Ann told Elsie to also send an invitation to Mr. & Mrs. Gabe Kantrovitz, 111 Craig St., Milton, Mass.

"Ann told Elsie the Johnsons (Helen & Wolger) were buying a house in Brooklin_ and expected to move soon.

"There was some discussion arround the older people who were getting ill etc. Ann told Elsie if she knew any of them who might want the party to have some money to have them make arrangements for it ahead of time & before anything might happen to them.

"She told of a seaman who had multiple sclerosis(ph) and knew he wouldn't live. They were able to get him into a Seamans home where he would be taken care off. The guy had about \$3,000.00 and wanted the party to have it if anything happened to him. They arranged things so he could use it if he needed anything and when he died the money went to the party without any trouble.

"Then she told of a women in New Bedford whose son had married a Catholic girl against his mothers wishes. She had left about \$15,000.00 and wanted it to go to the party - she didn't want her son & his wife to get any of it - But when she died there was a lot of difficulty over things and finally after the son claimed some & the lawyers got theirs The party did get about \$5,000.00. But if things had been arranged properly the party would have gotten much more.

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"Ann said everyone had been amazed because no one had any idea this woman had so much - she had made a will etc., but the son and his wife had contested it."

[redacted] stated although he was unable to more specifically advise concerning the reported \$3,000.00 received by the Party from an individual described as a seaman, it was his understanding that TIMPSON was referring to an incident that occurred a number of years in the past. Just as her mention of the woman from New Bedford, [redacted] was in reference to an incident which occurred years past.

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"6/8/62

"Tuesday evening, June 5, 1962 - Charlie and Elsie Piper visited Ann Timson at her home.

"Elsie told Ann that she was going to New York for the rally on June 7 and that the North Shore had \$100. to be turned in for the Gus Hall - Ben Davis defense fund. Elsie asked Ann who she should give the money to.

"Ann told Elsie not to turn the money in at the collection at the rally but to find Ben Davis, Phil Bart or James Tormey and give the money to one of them.

"Elsie asked Ann if she knew if there was a chance to get housing while in New York.

"Ann told Elsie to get to the rally early and look up Phil Bart, Arnold Johnson, Ben Davis or anyone else she knew and ask them about a place to stay while there.

"Elsie told Ann that Sol Fisher was planning to take a tour to Europe and Israel and possibly the Soviet Union.

"Elsie and Charlie told Ann that the North Shore section was running a party in conjunction with the Emma Lazarus for the defense fund to be held at the home of Eva and Sol Mamber in Lynn.

"Elsie said that the Emma Lazarus people did not want any speeches and some objected to inviting well-known Party members.

"Elsie said that there were a few people she wanted to invite but did not have their addresses.

"Elsie asked for the address of Helen and Wolger Johnson and Ann said that they lived at 76 Radcliff Street in Dorchester.

"Also [redacted]
[redacted]

"Bertha Goldberg, 387 Norfolk Avenue, Dorchester.

"Edith Aber, 23 Westbourne Terrace, Brookline.

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"Ann said that Elsie should send an invitation to Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Kantrovitz, 111 Craig Street, Milton.

"Ann said that there are some older people in the Party who have a little money and she knows these people want the Party to have this money. Ann said that those people should make arrangements so that the Party would get the money.

"Ann told of a seaman who had no relatives and had mutiple scerolsis (ph) and knew he would not live. The Party was able to get him into a Seaman's home where he was taken care of. The man had \$3000.00 and wanted the Party to have it. They had him put the money in the name of a Party member with the stipulation that he could have any part or all of the money if he needed it.

"Ann said because he was taken care of fine at the Seaman's home he did not need any of the money and it went to the Party.

"Ann told of a woman in New Bedford who had a son who married a Catholic girl against her wishes. She left about \$15,000. and had wanted her money to go to the Party.

"Ann said that there was much difficulty over this money and finally the son received some of the money and after lawyers' fees and costs the Party ended up with about \$5,000.

"Ann said that had things been arranged better ahead of time the Party would have fared better."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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Date: 7/26/62

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-21381)(100-3284)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-30384) (100-2644)

IRVING POTASH, Aka.
IS-C; ISA of 1950PHILIP BART
IS-C; ISA of 1950

Re Chicago teletype 7/25/62.

Subjects arrived Chicago on the morning of 7/25/62.
POTASH registered at the Atlantic Hotel, taking room 1103;
however, BART who accompanied him did not register.

Shortly after registration BART contacted the offices of "The Worker" in Chicago, and according to CG 6031-S* inquired as to the whereabouts of SAM DAVIS. Source advised that he had learned that FRITZI ENGLESTEIN had told BART that DAVIS was on a week's vacation and could be located at 621 Newton Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. According to source, BART stated that he was leaving for Minneapolis shortly and would only be in town long enough to make a few calls. Further, that he would be back in Chicago on Monday.

- 5 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Cleveland (RM)
- 2 - Detroit (RM)
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- 3 - Milwaukee (RM)
- 1-100- (FRED BLAIR)
- 2 - Minneapolis (RM)
- ② - New York (RM)
- 6 - Chicago
- 1-A) 134-46 (CG 5824-S*)
- 1-100-24729 (MANNY BLUM)
- 1-100-3313 (JACK KLING)

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Investigation at the Atlantic Hotel determined that POTASH registered at 10:40 AM and within 15 minutes returned to the lobby and left with BART in a small foreign make car with New York license.

At 2:55 PM POTASH returned to the hotel, however, the whereabouts of BART at this time are unknown.

A parking garage attendant, then in the possession of POTASH's car on 7/25/62 made available a slip of paper maintained in instant auto which contained the following notations:

July 24	CL
25	CH
26	CH
27	CH
28	CH
29	CH
30	CH
31	Phil back in CH
1	Det
2	Det
3	Det
4	CL
5	CL
6	CL

In addition to the above, the following notations were furnished by this source:

Gary
Milwaukee - Fred Blair
South Bend - Manny (auto)
Kenosha - Jack Kling (auto)

It is believed that the notations next to the dates indicate the cities of travel, that is, CL being Cleveland, CH being Chicago and Det being Detroit. Further, that this indicates an itinerary for POTASH and BART.

As to the other notations, it is believed that this may pertain to side trips possibly contemplated by IRVING POTASH while staying in the Chicago area. MANNY apparently is MANNY BLUM and the words (auto) apparently refer to contacts with Communist Party (CP) members active in the auto industry.

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On 7/25/62 CG 5824-S* advised SA RICHARD W. HANSEN that he had learned that after POTASH and BART had arrived in Chicago they had immediately visited JACK KLING on the north side of Chicago. Further, it was determined that BART was leaving town, however, the method of his transportation and/or his exact destination was unknown. It was also learned that JACK KLING was to service both POTASH and BART while in the midwest area. Further, that BART was to return to Chicago on Monday, 7/30/62.

who has furnished reliable information in the past, has advised that POTASH may attend a Railroad Club meeting on Friday, 7/27/62. Further details of this contemplated meeting are unknown at the present time.

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It is anticipated that through informants Chicago will have coverage of POTASH and BART when in the Chicago area.

Minneapolis as set forth in retel should be alert to the possibilities of BART in the Minneapolis area. Although the mode of transportation taken by BART is not known, the logical trains were covered during the afternoon of 7/25/62 with negative results. It is entirely possible that BART took a plane to Minneapolis although this is unknown at this time.

Milwaukee Office should remain alert for possibility that POTASH will contact FRED BLAIR and/or sources in the Kenosha area in line with the notations as set forth above.

The Indianapolis Office should alert sources in the South Bend and Gary, Indiana, areas, as to the possibilities that MANNY BLUM and IRVING POTASH may be in these respective areas, possibly during the period 7/25-30/62.

The Detroit Office will note that the indicated itinerary suggests that POTASH and BART will be in the Detroit area during the period 8/1-3/62; the Cleveland Office will note that this itinerary indicates that BART and POTASH will return to Cleveland during 8/4-7/62.

Informants who have knowledge of industrial matters in the CP of Illinois have been alerted to provide any information concerning POTASH and/or BART while in the Chicago area.

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TO : SAC (100-20779)

DATE: 7/30/62

FROM : SA LEO M. MCGINN

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - ORGANIZATION
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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of the informant the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of the informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

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1-Los Angeles (RM)

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DARLENE or CHARLENE (LNU), from California.
Possibly CHARLENE MITCHELL)

3-Minneapolis (RM)

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(1 - 100- AGNES WILLIS)
(1 - 100-58535 CONSTANTINE RADZIE)
(1 - 100- (FNU) COHEN, A Party Lawyer and acquaintance
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(1 - 100- CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES)
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(1 - 100- [redacted] (LNU), Telephone DICKENS-5-9127)
(1 - 100- UNSUB; Sister of IDA, Tel. DICKENS-5-9127)
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(1 - 100-56579 PHIL BART)
(1 - 100-1696 ELIZABETH G. FLYNN)
(1 - 100- [redacted] (LNU), Employee N.Y. State Party Office)
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(1 - 61-398 ARCHIE BROWN)

Information contained in this channelizing memorandum was previously furnished to the foregoing and/or other files in various offices by Boston airtel dated 7/12/62.

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"June 26, 1962

"A Legislative Conference of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), which was attended by various national and district leaders and other invitees, was held in New York City from June 22-24, 1962, at Academy Hall, 853 Broadway, New York City, New York, to discuss the McCarran Act.

"It was stated by a member of the Communist Party in New York on June 23, 1962, that in effect the above mentioned conference was a national meeting of the CP and not a conference, explaining that inasmuch as the National Committee, CPUSA, was unable at this time to hold meetings the conference was actually a gathering held in lieu thereof. The first day's session on June 22, 1962, opened at 8:30 PM. There were approximately seventy to eighty persons in attendance.

"An envelope was given to those arriving for the Friday night meeting and among the material contained in this envelope were the following:

"A one-page flyer addressed to 'Fellow Americans' asking 'Who? Is Responsible For Racism in U.S.A.,' urging the reading of 'The Worker.' This is issued as a 'service' of 'The Worker,' 23 W. 26th Street, New York 10, N. Y.

"A flyer entitled 'Labor Day Greetings to a Working People's Newspaper the "Worker" and "Midweek Worker,"' containing the following message: 'I am pleased to join with thousands of other Americans in extending Labor Day greetings to a full time spokesman for labor's interests and well being. May my modest contribution be of help in building the circulation of this paper and guarantee its freedom to publish and circulate.' The flyer stated no names would be published with the greetings unless requested by the contributor.

"A four-page pamphlet entitled 'An Open Letter to the Socialist Party from Gus Hall.' This pamphlet contained on the top of the inside second page: 'Communist Party, U.S.A., 23 West 26th Street, New York 10, N.Y.'

"A ten-page statement entitled 'Youth and the Future of Our Country.' This was not identified as to the issuing individual or organization.

"A thirteen-page 'Discussion Outline on Gus Hall's Pamphlet, Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War,' issued by the Lecture and Information Bureau, 23 West 26th Street, New York 10, N.Y., under date of June, 1962.

"GUS HALL's pamphlet 'Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War,' published by New Century Publishers, New York, under date of June, 1962, which contained a one-page flyer containing a reprint from the New York 'Post,' Tuesday, June 5, 1962, by MURRAY KEMPTON, entitled 'The Saddest Story.'

"A one-page 'Memorandum' listing various individuals and bulk prices for GUS HALL's 'End the Cold War' and a leaflet entitled 'What's Behind the Stock Market Plunge?'. 'Memorandum' also noted that 'An Open Letter to the Socialist Party from Gus Hall' could also be obtained with the suggestion that it could be used primarily for mailing.

"A four-page pamphlet entitled 'What's Behind the Stock Market Plunge?' by GUS HALL, issued as a 'public service' by 'The Worker,' 23 West 26th Street, New York 10, N. Y.

"Also on the literature table at this meeting were the following:

"A twenty-page pamphlet entitled 'Ben Davis on the McCarran Act at the Harvard Law Forum,' issued by the GUS HALL-BENJAMIN J. DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Chairman; JAMES J. TORMEY, Executive Secretary; CYRIL PHILIP, Treasurer, 22 East 17th Street, Room 1225, New York 3, N. Y.

"A one-page flyer entitled 'Beware, Ultra-Right Smog,' issued by the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties, 22 East 17th Street, Room 1525, New York 3, N. Y.

"A thirteen-page Statement entitled 'Anti-Communism in the United States,' containing a two-page 'Introduction' by JAMES J. TORMEY, Executive Secretary, GUS HALL-BENJAMIN DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE, and identified as having been issued by the GUS HALL-BENJAMIN J. DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE.

"ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, who chaired the meeting, introduced herself as the Chairman of the HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE. She then introduced JIM TORMEY, who announced the conference agenda as follows:

- "1. Speech by GUS HALL on Friday evening.
- "2. On Saturday we will start at 10 AM and end at 6 PM, during which a number of speakers will appear. Sometime in the afternoon BEN DAVIS will speak.
- "3. Sunday we will reconvene at 10 AM and there will be a report on the Party's 'Fight-Back' action against the McCarran Act. This is to be followed by a summation at two o'clock.

"GUS HALL spoke. He remarked that his speech would be based on the so-called purple pamphlet. He assumed all had read it and he was not going to take up everything in the pamphlet, but would talk about some of the things he thought were important. Pamphlet was entitled 'Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War!' by GUS HALL, published by the New Century Publishers, New York, in June of 1962.

"GUS HALL remarked that the Party had been through a long period of trial, including a factional struggle, but that the Party was indestructible, and would not be destroyed. A lot of unity had developed as a result of the Party's fight-back policy against the McCarran Act. He said initially there were elements in the Party who wanted to dissolve the Party and who had been rejected, and elements who wanted to stand pat and assume a 'wait and see' attitude. Fortunately for the Party and the fight for civil rights, a historic decision was made by the Party to conduct a legal struggle and bring the mass fight to the people. This, he said, has resulted in a new Party organizational flexibility and in other benefits.

"Some of these were:

- "1. The welding of a firm inner Party unity, the first time this has occurred in years.
- "2. The elimination of the remnants of factionalism in the Party.

"3. The reaching of many more people outside the Party, and the establishment of a new and higher status among broad circles of peoples.

"4. The establishment of the Party as a factor among the growing left in the peoples movement, the Negro movement, and the Youth movement.

"5. The Party has largely broken through its isolation,

"6. The Party is helping the masses make real headway in destroying the Fascist element in our country.

"7. By defending itself the Party has become a whole unit and is slowly growing,

"HALL said that as a result of all these accomplishments we can point out now that it proves the line of the Party was correct. He said the best fighters are those fighters who have a firm conviction and understanding for what they are fighting. He went into some of the laws, like the Taft-Hartley Law, the McCarran Act and the Smith Act, and stated that all such laws are instruments of the cold war and that we should recognize that in these laws are built-in features of a 'hot war' too.

"He brought out that there is a shift in the relationship of forces which determines the social, political and economic events in the world. He said that the balance of power has changed in the world. He said there are now more Socialist forces than capitalist forces and that the capitalist world is on the wane. He stated that he is not predicting that it is ready to fall apart but we have to be conscious of the change and point this out to people. He stated that the cold war was an evil and a costly failure to the American people, although profitable to a few. He criticized the KENNEDY administration and the continued cold war policy of the United States and said our first endeavor should be to seriously raise the interest of and move the people of this country to scrap policies which have caused a decline in the standing of the United States in the world,

"He mentioned CHURCHILL in relation to the cold war and said that CHURCHILL had influenced the United States into the cold war in his own interest only,

"HALL stated the cold war is also the main instrument of monopoly capitalism and that in its overseas expansion monopoly capitalism had created more unemployment in this country.

"He stated there were seven events which had taken place since the publication of his pamphlet that need our attention. These he said were:

"1. The continued unusual behavior of the stock market.

"2. The two unsuccessful attempts by the United States at nuclear explosion in the atmosphere.

"3. The President's action in the steel strike.

"4. The action of the Government starting proceedings against ten individuals under the McCarran Act.

"5. The invasion of Thailand by United States troops.

"6. The settlement in Laos and the progress in Algeria.

"7. The primary elections in certain states.

"HALL said the two attempted atmospheric nuclear explosions brand the KENNEDY administration as irresponsible and the fact that the two attempts had failed did not minimize the dangers created by them. The obvious lack of responsibility of the KENNEDY administration is a factor in the threat of war. He mentioned the number of United States planes and submarines equipped with nuclear weapons and of these submarines roaming all over the globe. This was another indication of the irresponsibility of the KENNEDY administration and possible threat of war. He said there is a definite need for more effort being made on our part in the fight for peace, and the fight for ceasing nuclear testing.

"He went into the field of disarmament. He said the United States did not even present a draft plan for disarmament at Geneva and that the question of inspection was not an issue as proven by many competent scientists.

"He made mention of MAHANOR's (ph) proposal and my impression is that this is some individual in the United Nations who had made a proposal against nuclear testing.

"He said that we needed to pay more attention to MAHANOR's proposal and concern ourselves with it. He said the United States was the main obstacle to a policy of disarmament and ending nuclear testing. He felt that our entire level in the struggle for peace was not high enough, that there was a great moral revival in this country, and the people were ready for more basic reasons in the fight for peace. These were the things Marxists had to be made aware of. He felt our participation in the peace movement was very important but that we were not completely fulfilling our role by our failure to discuss more basic questions with the people. Such discussion should, he said, be in the language of the people, and not run below or above them. He quoted from the May 18th edition of 'Commonweal,' as well as from 'Life' and other publications.

"HALL said we must ask ourselves, 'Do we need to change our basic estimate of this administration?', and in reply to this question, he said, 'No, we do not have to change our basic estimate of this administration.' He said we should also ask ourselves, 'Do we have to give up thinking about giving direction for changing the administration,' with his answer being that we should always be aware of the process of pushing for change and that mass movement can change the KENNEDY administration. We should be in this mass peace movement because it is here that pressure put on an administration can change policy. He said a great many things that occurred were due to the policy and advice the President got.

"HALL said he did not have any idea and did not wish to imply that American capitalism had reached its end, but that it was very interesting to observe on his way into Yonkers each morning the number of Cadillacs that had run out of gas. He said there was a great need to re-establish the Marxist science of economics and felt that the Party had neglected this area of study.

"He said the stock market fluctuation heralded the end of that period beginning after World War II, when the United States was able to assume the support of the

"capitalist countries in the world, all of which were in a state of deterioration and dependent on the United States. The stock market action indicated that United States capitalism was in difficulty and in a post war decline. He predicted that the false bottom would fall off the real estate market, and that this would be one of the results of the stock market decline. He said we would have a clear understanding of all of these things with knowledge of Marxist theory. He said certain frustrations will develop as a result and this will increase pressure of war as a way out. It will also create pressure to keep the military of Europe strong and will give the ultra right impetus to grow.

"HALL stated there were certain new developments taking place in the ultra right and one of our tasks is to point out how the ultra right, aided by the Un-American Committee and the FBI, has cost the taxpayers a great deal of money. We should raise the question as to why this money is being spent and who it is benefiting, and to do this right now. He said local Party organizations should become more aware of these things, and that the main fight against the ultra right must be unchanged.

"He said some of the basic flaws in our work included a certain reluctance, fear and strong resistance to organizational work in our ranks, and a lack of understanding in our ranks of the fact that the American people are ready to take part in some of these movements. They also included a lack of independent political thinking in our ranks, which resulted in failure to offer opposition to ROCKEFELLER's campaign and a lack of efficient organization, which he described as a form of sickness.

"HALL asked 'Concretely, how do we speak to people? This is what we are in business for, to speak to people, to awaken their conscience. What plans do we have for leaflets?'

"He said that our level of work is not high enough. Issues must be explained in the language of the people and not in sectarian language. We now have a new sense of confidence, we have a winning Party with a winning cause.

"At the meeting an individual passed out invitations to a reception, reading as follows:

" 'Mr. ARCHIE BROWN, on Saturday,
Member, Executive Board - Local 10, I.L.W.U.
San Francisco, California
Saturday, 6/23 - 8 PM
Festival Restaurant
40 E. 26th Street, near Madison Avenue

" 'Mr. Brown is the first victim of the infamous
Landrum-Griffin anti-labor law. He was tried and
convicted under this law. He is visiting
New York to rally support in connection with
his appeal to the Court of Appeals. Come and meet
him and hear the details of his trial and
conviction.

" 'Refreshments will be served. Bring your
shopmates.

" 'Admission free. Auspices Archie Brown
Reception Committee'

"PHIL BART introduced ELSIE PIPER to AGNES
WILLIS and said AGNES would take care of ELSIE and take
her home with her. Then AGNES came up and said she could
not take ELSIE home that night because she would have to
send her daughter someplace.

"Present Friday:

"BEN DAVIS
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN
GUS HALL
ARNOLD JOHNSON
JAMES JACKSON
✓ PHIL BART

BETTY - National Party Office

[] - State Party Office

ELSIE PIPER

DOROTHY HEALEY, Southern California

MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER, Executive Secretary of the
Emergency Civil Liberties Committee

CONSTANTINE RADZIE

JIM TORMEY

WILLIAM PATTERSON

GEORGE MORRIS

ERIC - who writes for 'The Worker.'

Tall, wavy hair, wears glasses.

Asked a Party member in attendance what
Boston was doing on the HUGHES campaign.

AGNES WILLIS

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"ELSIE PIPER stayed at the home of CONSTANTINE RADZIE, 35 West 87th Street, New York 24, N. Y., telephone EN-2-3885. He stated he went up to Boston back in 1919-21, with ROCHOFF (ph) of the Communist Party, organizing people. ELSIE mentioned that he must have lived through the Palmer raids and he said he met his wife in jail. She was a Jewish girl and is an organizer for the Needle Trades. He said his wife holds her CP club meetings at their apartment every two weeks. He said he and his wife had spent \$2,200.00 and had bought an apartment near the Chelsea. When they move there they will have three and one-half instead of two and one-half rooms. They had bought the apartment a few years ago but the strikes had held up building the apartment.

"ELSIE asked him if he knew NICK DENESUK, a Party member from Peabody, Massachusetts, and he said he knew NICK well. ELSIE told him NICK had been in the hospital and asked him if he knew [redacted] He said he also knew her well.

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"ELSIE asked him if he and his wife had any children. He said, 'No.' He explained that during their earlier days in the Party, people were talking about revolution, etc., and they did not think they should bring any children into the world. He said he and his wife at that time had a common-law relationship and did not have a certificate of marriage, but later married. He addressed ELSIE as 'Comrade' and she called him 'Comrade.'

"ELSIE asked him if he went to the farm in New York that NICK went to and he said he was there often. He said he belongs to the building trades and is a painter and paperhanger. He told ELSIE he had been an officer in his union, that he had been on the Executive Board in the Building Trades Union, but had resigned because it would be bad for a Party member to be on the Executive Board.

"Friday night, going to RADZI's apartment on the subway, RADZI introduced ELSIE PIPER to an individual named COHEN as a 'Comrade from Boston' and COHEN as a lawyer for the Party. COHEN described as five feet, five inches tall; small build; small, sharp features, possibly had a mustache; hair, sort of silver; about 55 years of age or older; very small, wiry type individual; narrow face.

"On Saturday morning the second day's session started at 10 AM at Academy Hall. A Manila envelope full of literature was handed out by MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER to those entering the hall. The literature included:

"A one-page flyer from the 'Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties, 22 East 17th Street, New York 3, N. Y., Room 1525,' setting forth the individual and bulk rate of what was termed 'valuable material.'

"A four-page pamphlet entitled 'Facts For Thinking Americans,' containing an order blank for various material addressed to REUBEN W. BOROUGH, Chairman, Constitutional Liberties Informational Center, Room 205, 1213 N. Highland, Los Angeles 38, California.

"A twenty-two page booklet, 'The Rape of the First Amendment,' by ALEXANDER L. CROSBY. This booklet urged contributions be sent to the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties, 22 East 17th Street, New York 3, N. Y.

"A one-page letter addressed 'Dear Friend,' from MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER, Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties, New York, N. Y.

"A one-page, front and back, flyer entitled 'Facts on the McCarran Act' prepared by the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties.

"A sixteen-page brochure containing copies of clippings from various newspaper publications and containing a cover page entitled 'Free Speech Victory.' This brochure urged contributions to the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties, New York, N. Y.

"Approximately 90 to 100 persons attended this session.

"GEORGE MEYERS was designated Chairman for this session, which convened at 10 AM.

"The first speaker was ANTON (LNU) and I am of the impression he was from Cleveland, Ohio. He said that the HCUA had come into their area and had called twenty people. The Party people referred to it as 'operation buzz saw.' They had a public campaign against the HCUA and its

"activities and had been very successful in getting the Methodist Church, the Church of Christ, and other groups organized into a very high level campaign against the HCUA with the result that the Committee was completely inoperative except when a person was clearly vulnerable. Witnesses who were expected to be cooperative, refused to testify or cooperate with the Committee and there was a great deal of self-exposure of some of the stool pigeons, and he expected that there would probably be more. Their activity developed an atmosphere where even the informers felt guilty. Other results of their campaign included an attack on the KENNEDY administration, and newspaper interest and interviews of those called before the Committee.

"He said there was also now a movement rallying against the Schwartz Committee in that same area. He said that support of the Party had increased and that people were far more ready and willing to act than we ourselves suspected.

"Next speaker was BOB THOMPSON. He gave a report on labor. He said it would be hard to be satisfied with the status of trade union Party activity, and that some of the things that have occurred within the trade unions created a deep frustration in those engaged in trade union activity. We should not harken back to the good old days of the 30's and 40's because too many changes have occurred in the world. Some of the answers to problems in this field lie in our capacity for leadership, that this is a period of time for the modernization of our programs and tactics. He said there was a new and different type of responsiveness on the part of all parties on all issues and we had to fight an anti-monopoly coalition on some of the issues facing labor. He explained that there was a new situation in the labor picture -- a demand for a shorter work week. He said the general picture on the thirty-hour work week has changed and is of significance to us. He said that the shorter work week is an anti-monopoly approach and that there is a new demand from labor for some independence from the KENNEDY administration. He asked if the Party and the left were going to back away from this demand, or were we going to raise the demand to a new level. This will be determined in large measure on the response from us and whether we are successful in demanding a thirty-hour work week and influencing labor.

"THOMPSON said the left must be alert to where the breakthrough will come and concentrate on it. He said there is a certain perspective of aiding this development between now and the opening of contract negotiations in 1964 in the auto industry. He said the left and the Party can be a serious factor in creating an important trend to the left in the labor movement. He said this would be the first major test of the new orientation and development of our Party but it should not be limited to just one industry. We must help project a shorter work week in all our labor activity.

"THOMPSON spoke of the struggle that must take place to bring into being an alliance between the trade union movement and the Negro People's movement. He said the situation is different today than in the 40's and that we must become aware of and take issue with some of the forms of white chauvinism existing in labor today. We had to carry on in the fight to unite the Negro and white. He said this united people and should become the practice of the Party in all areas, and not just in our labor forces.

"He mentioned certain developments taking place in the Teamsters Union but did not go into them. He said that we had to utilize existing approaches and at the same time project new moves, the foremost among which was the concentration in labor.

"The third speaker was DOROTHY HEALEY from Los Angeles. She reported on the California primary elections. She said that there had been some gains made in Mexican, American and Negro unity. She said this was the first closed primary ever held in the state.

"She reported on the impressive number of right wing votes cast in the primaries. She said this was a repudiation of the two main parties, and that it had given people something to think about. She mentioned newly re-apportioned districts and noted that it was the first primary where there had been a definite split in the Republican Party.

"HEALEY stated that the Party had set up three objectives in the California primaries which she listed as:

- "1. Defeat of the ultra right.
2. The election of Negro and mixed representation.
3. The improvement of the quality of representation in Congress around peace, civil rights and Negro rights.

"On #1, HEALEY mentioned the utilization of public instruction as a means of defeating the ultra right. She said that some reversals had occurred, among which was the victory of the ultra right in the GOP race on both a state and national level, although a developing repudiation of the ultra right was observed in the NIXON campaign.

"On #2, HEALEY said there had been an unprecedented upsurge of support for a more mixed representation and seven or eight Mexican Americans will as a result be in the California Legislature. The demand for representation was also growing among other groups.

"On #3, HEALEY stated that efforts toward the development of independent action within the Democratic Party had been very, very effective. She said the efforts of Party people to heighten the role of the individual member in the Democratic Party resulted in hundreds of workers in the Democratic Party having a chance to express themselves for the first time. She said this should now enable various individuals involved in the activities of political parties to play an important role in a peace campaign by independent action, with her feeling being, however, that they had to be independent not only of the political party with which they were involved, but also the Communist Party as well. She said she felt there had to be a very skillful approach to this situation.

"A speaker from New York then gave a talk on the New York elections. He said there was an ultra right in New York which had succeeded after carrying on a six-week campaign in developing a new Conservative Party to defeat JAVITS. The ultra right was also out to defeat ROCKEFELLER. The speaker predicted that the Republican Party would be a major force in the ultra right in New York and that it would be necessary for the Progressives to do all they could to defeat the ultra right.

"The speaker also said that the time had come when no party could go to the polls in New York without a Negro candidate.

"CARL WINTER spoke on the Michigan elections, and particularly the race for Governor. He said GEORGE ROMNEY was being dubbed as a possible GOP candidate for President in 1964, and there was a serious attempt going on in that area to shape ROMNEY by big business. The Birchites have announced their support of ROMNEY and the Democrats were running Governor JOHN SWENSON. He said there was a great deal of independent action developing within the Democratic Party and that members of that Party are now able, as individuals, to present their slate on Negro rights, civil rights, and other issues. He said there were 110 delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Michigan who were able to effect a coalition between labor and Negroes.

"FRED (LNU) from Wisconsin spoke. He was introduced as a poet and recited a little poetry. He said we should repudiate the charge from many liberals that the danger of war came from the left, that the danger actually came from the ultra right. He agreed with GUS HALL that we should study more the theory of ground rent and bank taxes and pay more attention to economics. He also commented that there should be some nationalization of the land in this country.

"ARNOLD JOHNSON spoke. He agreed with GUS HALL that the level for the struggle for peace must be heightened, and that there was no conflict in the Party around our work with the masses. He said, however, we must examine the character of our work so that we can heighten its level, and that we should ask ourselves how we can contribute more to such movements as peace. He pointed out that there is much literature on peace from the left forces and also a great deal of literature from the ultra right. We should make greater use of the peace literature available and discuss it more. He pointed out that the American people have a certain peace consciousness which helps overcome some of the war propaganda. We have to ask ourselves how to overcome other propaganda in order that the United States may become known as a peace country. We must contribute to peace discussion so that it will be taken up by the masses. That would be one of the biggest contributions our Party could make for peace.

"WILLIAM PATTERSON spoke. He thought that Marxist economics should be placed in the hands of the students, trade unionists and teachers. He spoke of the factors involved in dealing with the Negro situation and

"of the problems of influencing the Negro masses toward the Communist Party. In this connection he mentioned his attendance at a meeting, termed one of the most important of its kind, of the National Negro Commission the previous day, June 22, 1962. He apologized for not having the complete report of the meeting ready for this session but said it contained certain criticism of our work with the Negroes. He said that we did not always work on the highest level with them and that there was a certain dichotomy. He said we should see as Marxists more clearly how the Executive Branch of the Government is making progress in their promises but not carrying them out. He said, however, that in Congress we have many possibilities open to us in the struggle for equal rights. He said the issue of peace should be broadened and that we must recognize the ultra right is the main enemy of Negro rights.

"The following, in addition to those present at the Friday night meeting, were present at Saturday's session:

[REDACTED]
IRVING POTASH
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
CARL WINTER
[REDACTED]

ARCHIE BROWN
BOB THOMPSON
SIGMUND, from Minnesota
CHARLIE, from New Jersey (Northern N.J.)
JACK, from New Jersey
DARLENE or CHARLENE from California
LOUIS, from New York
ART, from California
[REDACTED]
GEORGE MEYERS
LEW, from Newark
ANTON, from Cleveland
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG
FRED, from Wisconsin
IDA, from New York

"ROSCOE PROCTOR was elected Chairman of the afternoon session. LEW JOHNSON introduced ELSIE PIPER to CARL WINTER and GEORGE MORRIS. A fellow came up and said that he was from Minnesota and introduced himself as SIGMUND. There were fellows from New Jersey, CHARLIE, a

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"Swede, and JACK. CHARLIE is about five feet, seven inches tall; 135 pounds; has several very indistinct tattoos (some color removed) on both arms, and the back of both hands; snow white hair; blue eyes; smokes Chesterfield cigarettes; about 55 years of age; appearance of being a retired Merchant Marine or Navy seaman. He said he lived in Scotland when very young (about twelve years of age) before he came to this country. JACK had a round full face, left side somewhat misshaped but not extremely so; sandy hair; five feet eight or nine inches tall; 160 pounds; stooped; about fifty years of age. SIGMUND, from Minnesota, looked like a business executive, and somewhat out of place; very, very beautiful complexion, pink and white; perhaps fifty years of age or more; five feet ten or eleven inches.

"A young colored girl, DARLENE or CHARLENE, from California, gave a report on Youth. She proposed the establishment of a youth organization that would not of necessity be left, but which would have a certain amount of left orientation.

"LEWIS MARTIN JOHNSON spoke after DARLENE for a few minutes. He gave a brief rundown of problems in New England. He said that possibly the Party would have to help New England with an organizer because there was no one in that District who could spend the full time required for that position. He said New England had concentrated on raising funds for defense and that he was happy to say New England had turned in \$495.00 that day for defense. However, because of such effort no funds had been raised for 'The Worker.' He also said some ground work was being done on the youth campaign in New England.

"A report on labor was given by IRVING POTASH. He said the entire Party should be made conscious of the problems involved in working with trade union and working class movements. Every Party club should have on its agenda some discussion pertinent to the working class in order to develop a working class consciousness.

"The report disagreed with BOB THOMPSON in that THOMPSON took the attitude that the Party should not take over the leadership of such movements but rather guide them. POTASH said there would be no breakthrough unless the Party took as its task both the development and encouragement of left movements in trade unions.

"JAMES TORMEY announced that we should return our slips for the HALL-DAVIS pamphlet to CLARA BALONE or CALONE (ph).

"CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT spoke on 'How Are We Going to Build Our Party in a Negro Community?'. He said there has been some thinking in the past that Negro people had left the Party through fear but that this was not so. He said instead the Negro masses did not identify our Party to the struggle they were waging. He said we have to decide what the struggle for the Party is and asked, 'How do we carry through in final form for the Negro?'. He said the Party itself would be very instrumental in helping the Negro and that by use of communist Negroes in the community the Party should become identified with the Negro struggle. We had to take up the problem of unemployment for the Negro, which he described as a major issue for the Negro, and open up discussion in the broadest possible manner on where the Negro struggle was going to end. He spoke of the Muslim Movement, stating that it had gained a great deal of support. He said that when it came to the Negro Movement we had to discuss different forms and not latch on to one particular form to the exclusion of the others.

"He said there were plans for this coming September for PATTERSON and DAVIS to go about speaking to Negroes in Negro communities. He suggested that what we should do in the various areas was to line up a number of Negro people to be on hand to meet with PATTERSON and DAVIS who could possibly enlist them in the Party.

"During the morning session, LOUIS announced that a party would be held for ARCHIE BROWN, and ARCHIE stood up. My impression was that the ten defendants were there and LOUIS asked them to sit on the side. He mentioned that HY LUMER and someone else was still in jail.

"ART, from California, took issue with POTASH. He said POTASH should re-examine and differentiate between a left organization and an organization in which you develop a much broader force and in which the left is a ranking force.

"He first spoke on the role of the Party. He said the present leadership in the Party had set an example in building up the prestige of the Party, and that the Party had re-established itself. He highly commended GUS HALL's

"pamphlet and said it stood out as being excellent. He said the Party had to concern itself with its peace work and that HALL's recommendation that we should begin a real Marxist analysis of peace in this country was excellent. He felt that peace candidates were here to stay and that the left peace candidates did have a role to play. In speaking on the elections in California, he differed with DOROTHY HEALEY, who believed that the right forces had gained there. He also, in disagreeing with DOROTHY HEALEY, said that the GOP in order to win will have to present a labor front and that labor's activities and its independent role in the elections in California had confirmed an anti-Nixon situation. He felt definitely that the ultra right could be defeated there, but that the Party had to play a greater role in its defeat.

"In speaking on labor, he said there was a basic fear in trade unions and that the Party had to give the labor movement more direct leadership. More attention, he said, should also be given to the manufacturer.

"JACK GREEN from Baltimore spoke. He said the question of labor movements was most important, that labor was looking for progressive forces to move them and that a Party sub committee should be set up to discuss what is happening in the trade unions. After that a Negro commission should be set up prior to the elections in order to mobilize the people, and to rebuild the Party.

"LEW, from Newark, New Jersey, remarked concerning city elections. He said one Negro in New Jersey got the biggest vote for Councilman and that every thinking organization in the country was trying to win the youth. He advocated the Party rebuilding its role for winning the youth.

"A speaker from Milwaukee said that Milwaukee was one of the cities that contradicted itself by producing a McCARTHY and a Governor who repudiated McCARTHY. He felt that the Party had to fight for peace, civil rights and against the ultra right. In order to do this we must integrate ourselves with non-communist people and organizations. He said they had certain problems with the Party in their area, that there were people who would not work with other people because they were afraid of stool pigeons.

"A speaker from Pennsylvania stated that the conference reflected a new stage in the historical development of the Party. He said the Party's voice should be heard more often in its various endeavors, and in the matter of trade union work we should ask ourselves how to proceed in establishing a Socialist trend in the labor movement.

"ELSIE PIPER and [redacted] were sitting on the side of the hall during this session when JAMES TORMEY came up to [redacted] handed him an envelope containing \$495.00, which was the money turned in from the New England District for the GUS HALL-BEN DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE. Later on during the day JAMES TORMEY handed several people around the hall an envelope. It is my understanding that the envelopes contained a receipt or statement for any money turned in to the Defense Committee. The statement contained in [redacted] envelope showed that up to this date New England had turned in over \$1,100.00. \$30.00 of the above mentioned \$495.00 came from the North Shore from ELSIE to [redacted] a receipt for which was given to ELSIE PIPER by [redacted] b6 b7C

"LOUIS (LNU) from New York spoke and explained there was a free admission party to be held for ARCHIE BROWN that evening. LOUIS is described as good looking - Latin sort of way; large full face; black hair; fleshy side, but not fat; about five feet ten or eleven inches; Spanish, Puerto Rican or Italian; about middle fifties; a barber.

[redacted] ELSIE PIPER and ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG went out to supper together to a Japanese restaurant. First TRACHTENBERG was to take them to dinner, but LEW paid for the dinner. TRACHTENBERG said he was the first publisher in the world to translate MARX into the English language. He said that in fact, he thought he translated MARX into English before it was translated into Russian. He is publisher or editor of the International Publishing House.

"On Friday afternoon it had been arranged with ELSIE to go home with AGNES WILLIS from Brooklyn. However, AGNES said she could not put ELSIE up because it would mean putting her daughter out of bed. As a result ELSIE was introduced to IDA. ELSIE asked her if she were going to the party for ARCHIE BROWN and IDA said she was and would see her there.

"Over two hundred were present at ARCHIE BROWN's party. There was a bar and buffet style lunch of cold cuts, coffee and cake set up. ELSIE PIPER and LEW JOHNSON sat at a table with CONSTANTINE RADZI and IRVING POTASH sat with them too.

"Also present were:

"ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG

ARNOLD JOHNSON

GUS HALL

✓ PHIL BART

DARLENE, from California. ELSIE was introduced to her and they said she was the one who gave the report on Youth that morning. She was a very pretty colored girl.

"(Male -- tall, brown eyes, mustache, New York license on his car.)

"ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. ELSIE asked her if she had moved and she said she had moved since her sister died and was living in the hotel just around the corner where the Festival Restaurant was. She found it much easier, but missed her sister.

"ARCHIE BROWN spoke. He said that people wanted him to stay over but that only permission to leave California to attend a Legislative meeting in New York had been given him and that he had to be back in the jurisdiction of the Court on Monday. He said that otherwise he would stay.

"\$150.00 was collected for drinks at this party and someone said that New York should pay for the party and the \$150.00 turned in to the Defense Committee.

"IDA did not show up at the party early. ELSIE had several offers to go home with others but IDA arrived when the party was nearly over and they went home. They took the subway to the end of the line in Brooklyn and IDA lived at about 35 Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn Apartment #3-B, telephone DICKENS-5-9127. She was in her forties, the youngest of five children. Her mother died two years ago of lung cancer. IDA is described as: very nice figure; too full a face; hair tinted Auburn; Jewish. She lives in a three and one-half room apartment

"with an older sister. She is very active in Party work and more aggressive than her sister. She said her sister cannot make a decision and the sister and IDA do not get along well. IDA said single people along in years should have their own apartment. She pays \$52.00 a month rent and has lived there for twenty-two years, with the exception of the time her mother had asked her to move out as her mother felt she would be better off away from other sisters, who bossed her.

"According to IDA, both she and her sister held Party meetings in their home.

"On the subway on the way to IDA's they met [redacted] (LNU). IDA knew him and ELSIE PIPER recognized him as having collected tickets at the Fight-Back Rally in New York on June 7, 1962. She spoke to him and IDA introduced them.

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"IDA identified [redacted] as the father of [redacted], who worked at the New York State Party Office. [redacted] spoke of his grandson, [redacted] son. He said [redacted] husband had gone away and [redacted] and that he and his wife take care of the son while [redacted] works.

"IDA told her of some of her Party activity. She said her area consisted of approximately one-third Jewish; one-third Puerto Rican, and one-third Negro. She said years ago it was predominantly Jewish, but that now Puerto Ricans and Negroes had moved in. Her Party club had been active in the Beth Hospital Strike and had gotten out leaflets on integrated school buses and other issues. Her club was also working on obtaining new school buildings.

"IDA has one brother and three sisters.

"ELSIE made the remark that she thought the conference was to be a discussion on the McCarran Act. IDA said that in effect the conference was a national meeting and not a conference, explaining that inasmuch as the National Committee of the Communist Party cannot hold meetings at this time the conference was actually a gathering held in place of a National Committee meeting.

"There were approximately sixty to seventy at the Sunday session, June 24, 1962, which convened at 10 AM.

"Proposals were made and adopted at this session that there be three mass regional conferences, one in the East; one in the Mid-West; and one on the West Coast; that we try to send delegates to all aspirants to public offices and demand that they take a stand on the McCarran Act and other issues; that we attempt to further broaden civil rights committees, and encourage their development on a local basis; that a brochure on this conference and defense fund booklets be issued; and that the Party develop some type of mass agitation against a national mobilization planned by the HCUA for January 3, 1963.

"ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN spoke. She said she hoped this would be the last time we would have to do anything like this, but by fighting back we were defending the Party as we know it and not as it is described by the McCarran Act. She said it was clear that it is not possible for us to register under the McCarran Act and that we have to acquaint people first as to what the McCarran Act is, and to render the legal defense necessary. She said she would be available for speaking engagements.

"JIM JACKSON spoke. He said that HALL had been correct in the interpretation of the events that had taken place and we needed to make a very precise study of the events in relation to the effect on each.

"He spoke on 'The Worker' campaign. He said that 'The Worker' campaign was basic to our rights and our civil rights, and that so far there has not been too much pressure put on the freedom of the press as an issue. He said there should be some sharpening up in regard to the KENNEDY administration and that we have to heighten the struggle for disarmament. He spoke of the policy of 'The Worker' which he thought had been a correct one but there had been some criticism of it. At the time of the Soviet nuclear explosions the paper protested the resumption of nuclear testing by the Soviets and thought this was a good tactic for the Communist Party to follow. On the question of recruiting, he thought that certain problems were not solved by merely recruiting more people, that certain risks were involved that we certainly should be aware of. He said he was proud of the history of the Party and that we were moving ahead. We did not know when the breakthrough was coming but it was coming. He said it was

"necessary for us to fight McCarranism and that fighting McCarranism was fighting the ultra right. He said that the fight for civil liberties now going on necessitated that the forces of the left move the masses.

"BEN DAVIS stated that the FBI at CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT's wife's funeral had taken the guest book and joined the mourners. He said we must emphasize the humanism of communism in relation to the type of humanism of the ruling class. He said the Party was still in existence in spite of all that is happening to it. We have achieved something. We brought to the American people the fact we caught the Government red-handed on the question of concentration camps. They were caught in a lie about this and they will lie about other things. He said in this regard that it had been brought out in 'The Worker' that this country had built concentration camps.

"DAVIS said the Youth Movement and the role it has been playing has been a setback to the McCarran Act. Even though the youth do not go along with the Party on all issues they deserve the right to listen for themselves rather than be told.

"DAVIS said that the administration had added to the McCarran Act a provision that industry make public a list of where a particular person cannot work. He said our big question was how to merge our activity with the activity of the masses, and that although there has been a tendency toward this, the Party must work harder at it. He brought out that there was a certain indecency, immorality and backwardness in having political prisoners in America, and that as to Algeria we should express our concern about the mass killings there. He said we should pay more attention to the moral aspects of our Party, and that we should be reaching the moral sense of the people as nothing moves a people more than moral issues.

"DAVIS said some of the potential open to us had deep importance. He mentioned how developments in socialist countries affect this country's economic politics and policies. He spoke of different things that happened in the South and projected the thought that these states were republics and that we did not have a democracy.

"GUS HALL, in his summary of the conference, said we have to have some approach to the economic program and fight for a minimum wage of \$2.50 an hour and for a moratorium on the national debt. He said we had to develop an approach to organizations such as in the youth field, where our approach should be more pronounced than in the past few months. He said the youth field is in its initial development and that the Party should utilize farm experiences in dealing with youth. He said this reference to farm experiences had nothing to do with the Party, explaining that on a farm you plant more seeds than you expect to grow, you weed out the weak ones, transplant others, and, as on a farm, out of all the youth movements the strongest will be kept. He said it had to be a joint project of nature and man, that it is the Party's approach to organizations, and the conscious Marxist will follow it.

"HALL said that when it came to independent political action there had to be a certain flexibility in form and level. He spoke of the union action on a thirty-five hour week and of its importance as a medium for moving the whole trade union movement. He said the important thing to remember was to have some form which moved the masses. We have one purpose and that is the best interest of the workers and their organizations. HALL said that when speaking at various colleges he was always questioned about the Party's relations with the socialist world, and the McCarran Act charge that we are agents of a foreign power. He said he has found that although the students will not accept denials they will accept explanations. He, therefore, explains that the Communist Party is a political party in this country interested in building socialism and that having the same social science as other countries with socialist governments we do have a relationship although no organizational ties. In answer to the question he is always asked in connection with the McCarran Act charge, 'Where have you disagreed with the USSR?', he asks why they use that as a yardstick for the Communist Party when it is never used for anyone else, and then points out as an example of disagreement that when the USSR resumed nuclear testing we were against such action.

"He said on questions of new Party development there was an unprecedented demand for Marxist literature and that we must make the members aware of the pressure of this demand. In the matter of recruiting, he said we had to convince Party people that it is necessary and possible to recruit new members but that it must be organized.

"The meeting adjourned about 3 PM.

"The following, in addition to those present at the Friday and Saturday sessions, were present at the Sunday session:

"SAM DAVIS

ROSE from Minnesota

[redacted] from Chicago

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"A man introduced himself as being from Chicago at Academy Hall and asked ELSIE PIPER if she were from Boston. He told her that FLORENCE LUSCOMB had written to someone in Chicago for some sort of a paper which would enable her to visit Russia.

"ELSIE PIPER referred him to ARNOLD JOHNSON. ARNOLD asked ELSIE if she knew FLORENCE LUSCOMB was making a trip, and was told that she was going to Japan and that rather than going directly to Japan she probably wanted to go via Moscow. ARNOLD said he would call FLORENCE LUSCOMB and ask her directly what she wanted.

"ELSIE told the fellow from Chicago that she had a brother in Chicago and expected to go on a trip there and would possibly look him up. He introduced ELSIE to SAM DAVIS. SAM DAVIS said if ELSIE went to Chicago to go to 'The Worker' office at 36 West Randolph Street, telephone number RANDOLPH-6-9198, in the Loop. He said to go any time and say she was 'Elsie, from Boston.'

"Following the Sunday session of the conference, an Organizational Meeting of the Party was held in a closed room in the Festival Restaurant, New York City, New York, at approximately 3:30 PM.

"The meeting concerned Recruiting, the Negro, Youth, Independent Political Action, Peace Candidates, 'The Worker,' and a new publication, 'Labor Today,' published by the editor of the UAW paper at Dodge in Detroit, Michigan. Approximately thirty to thirty-five persons were present at this meeting, including:

✓ "PHIL BART, Chairman

[redacted] from Chicago

ROSE, from Minnesota

IRVING POTASH

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

"ARNOLD JOHNSON

JIM JACKSON

[REDACTED]

ELSIE PIPER

CARL WINTER

(FNU) HENLEY (ph), from Philadelphia

JIM LUSTIG

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"HENLEY said he was living in Philadelphia, and originally came from Putney, Vermont. Described as a tall blond, three or four front teeth out of line, and about twenty-three years of age.

[REDACTED] (h), formerly from South Boston, Massachusetts, and [REDACTED] (LNU), from Chicago, with [REDACTED] stating she knew the GOODWIN brothers, but not BOBBY, had never been in a progressive movement until she got to Chicago, and has a sister in Marblehead, Massachusetts, married to a wealthy manufacturer. [REDACTED] is described as about six feet, one inch tall; dark hair; glasses; 200 pounds or better, who works for the electronics industry. He was very interested in the electronics businesses on Route 128, and [REDACTED] explained that was due to the fact we had so many research centers in Boston. He appeared about twenty-five years of age. [REDACTED] is described as small-boned; five feet, six inches tall; 120 pounds; dark hair; dark eyes; very pleasant. She does not seem to fit in with the group.

"ROSE, from Minnesota, is close to sixty years of age; wears a hearing aid; blondish and greyish hair; wears glasses; waddles when she walks; five feet, five inches tall, and weighs about 140 pounds.

"CARL WINTER gave a report on 'Labor Today.' This is a new publication and five monthly publications are planned, starting the first of the year. The publication is not to be utilized as a left wing or left of center publication, but rather as a forum for labor. It will be a paper for active trade unionists and so far the response has been excellent. Nominations are still open for individuals in a position to act or function in an advisory capacity and nominations will remain open until the services of a sufficient number of advisors are obtained.

"According to WINTER, articles, letters, subscriptions, criticisms and suggestions are all needed by this publication.

"At the request of the Chairman, PHIL BART, who asked that the various individuals in attendance report on activity in their sections, ELSIE PIPER stated that the section she came from outside of Boston, Massachusetts, had plans to establish Marxist study groups, both for Party members themselves and also for a number of non-Party members who, although outside the Party, were, nevertheless, close to the Party. It was hoped that possibly new recruits could be obtained as a result of such study groups for non-Party members.

[redacted] reported that plans had been made for some form of a youth organization in the fall in the New England District. He reported on problems faced by the Party in Boston and requested assistance, particularly in the matter of an organizer. He said in this regard that because of work and other factors there was no one available in a position to devote the time necessary for that position.

"JIM LUSTIG, from New York, spoke, and criticized 'The Worker' for what he considered was its failure to use language that could be understood.

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"JIM JACKSON repudiated him and said that the language used by 'The Worker' was the same as that used in all newspapers. JACKSON also mentioned certain problems faced by 'The Worker' and particularly that it could no longer be mailed.

"ELSIE and [redacted] had to depart from the meeting at this point."

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1- 100-21257 (ESTHER WICKSTROM)
1- 100-17376 (BEN FRIEDLANDER)
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1- 100-4031 (MOLLIE GOLD)
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1- 100-30108 (DAN QUEEN)
1- 100-17941 [redacted]

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1- 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
1- 100-27539 (HENRY WINSTON)
1- 100- (CP, USA vs.
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1- 100-80640 (CP, USA -NEGRO
QUESTION)
1- 100- (HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE
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Chicago, Illinois
7/11/62

On July 7, 1962, there was a meeting of the actives of the CP of Illinois held at 333 West North Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The following were in attendance:

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

LOU DISKIN

EARL DURHAM

JACK KLING

DAVID ENGLESTEIN

MILT COHEN

SAM DAVIS

NATALIE MYERS

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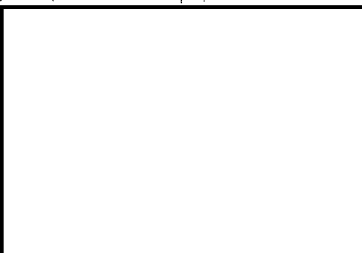
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MOLLIE GOLD

DOROTHY HAYES


DAN QUEEN



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CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT opened the meeting by suggesting that the comrades read GUS HALL's pamphlet entitled "End The Cold War" for the first portion of the meeting. Since the recent National Conference of the Communist Party (CP) in New York was concerned with this report, he felt this would be preferable rather than have someone give a detailed report of HALL's report. Everyone agreed and for the first hour or so, those present read HALL's report who had not previously read it.

Comments by LOU DISKIN

After the reading of the report by most of the people, LOU DISKIN opened with a few remarks concerning the National meeting of the CP which was held in New York on the weekend of June 23 - 24, 1962. DISKIN indicated that in addition to the weekend meeting in New York which was called by the Hall-Davis Defense Committee, there was also held a meeting of the Progressive Youth Organizing Committee (PYOC). He also said there was a meeting of the National Negro Commission which was led by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and LIGHTFOOT's report on this meeting will be published in pamphlet form in the near future. DISKIN stated that the Conference re-affirmed the necessity to fight against the Mc Carran Act. The Conference answered those who had suggested that the Party liquidate itself in light of the Mc Carran attacks. The conference also answered the critics that were suggesting that the Party do nothing but stand pat until the political climate changed. DISKIN further indicated that there had been certain achievements by the Party in the past year. One he said was the legal battle that the Party has put up against the Mc Carran Act. This struggle, said DISKIN, has become the best fight put up by the Party in history. This has made it possible for the Party to meet face to face with masses of people in public discussions and debates which have been received by unprecedented audiences and with excellent responses. All this has helped to overcome the big lie about the Communist Party and for people to see the real image of the Party. The Party is becoming a factor in crystalizing the Left movement in this country and is helping to overcome the Party's isolation from the masses.

DISKIN continued that during the past year there has been witnessed a much stronger inner unity within the Party and in some rare and still very scattered instances there is certain recruiting in the Party. The task before us now, he said, is for a detailed study of GUS HALL's report and a fight to bring it to the membership and place it in mass circulation. The goal for Illinois is a circulation of approximately 1,000 copies of HALL's report. On the report itself, DISKIN indicated that the New York Conference called for more fundamental approaches to certain economic questions facing the country. For instance, there is the necessity for a better explanation of why there has been at least five periods of recessions in this country since World War II in spite of the tremendous government spending. Also there should be a more fundamental explanation of the constant and growing under-utilization of capacity of industry in this country. These crises, said DISKIN, show tremendous contradictions in the American economic picture. There has been a steady increase of mergers of small corporations and there has been a steady increase in unemployment. Poverty in the United States is growing said DISKIN, and there are also possibilities of a severe crisis developing unless the present policies of the administration are changed. Many people's organizations are alarmed about the economic situation in the country and are demanding tax cuts now.

DISKIN said the Party supports the AF of L and the CIO approach to the question of taxes, that is, those families with incomes of \$10,000 or under should receive tax cuts, but not the others.

In GUS HALL's report, said DISKIN, he deals with certain fundamental programs including a tax cut, a minimum wage of \$2.50 per hour, use of the war budget and interest on the national debt for peaceful projects, development of trade with all countries, and within this framework, the center of the economic struggle for the CP is the struggle for the shorter work week. At this stage DISKIN continued, the labor movement, as a whole, has come out for a shorter work week and already has registered a few gains in this regard. DISKIN said it is the Party's opinion that this represents a basic anti-monopoly demand.

DISKIN also stated there is a big issue in Chicago in the recent call for a relief cut. He said the Party's main task is to find ways to involve the labor movement in the struggle against this anti-people's movement. He said the Party should support those who are calling for a special session of the legislature to favor other means to solve the financial crisis in this state rather than the proposed relief cut. DISKIN stated the National Conference of the CP took note of several events that have taken place since GUS HALL's report. All of which helped to prove the correctness of the line embodied in HALL's report. These events included the machinations of the stock market, the Government action against the ten Communists under the Mc Carran law, the atmospheric nuclear testing continued, outer space projects by the United States, the occupation of Thailand, the machinations by CHIANG Kai-shek, support of American imperialism, and the continued and growing attacks on the Cuban Government.

In addition, on the other side of the ledger, in this period not covered by GUS HALL's report, DISKIN said they have stressed the victory of the people of Algeria, the agreement in Laos and the action by the courts on JIM JACKSON and PHIL BART. Also included was the court's action on HENRY WINSTON's suit against the Government. DISKIN stated the continued and growing resistance of the people against the ultra-right, as represented in California with the defeat of the Bircher who ran against NIXON and the fizzling of the rally called by the ultra-right at Madison Square Garden, are further proof of the line of GUS HALL's report.

DISKIN continued and indicated that in HALL's opinion, the level of the peace movement in this country is lagging behind the possibilities and the sentiment of the American people. The American masses are discussing the question of peace on a very high plane and the CP must raise its level of discussion on this question.

DISKIN stated the most important new development in the peace movement in the "Voters for Peace" movement which deserves the Party's all out support.

DISKIN continued and said as far as the struggle against the ultra-right, it is still the policy of the current administration to follow the path of the cold war that continues to feed and strengthen ideologically the ultra-right. Whereas the ultra-right did not win in the California primary, it did receive a large vote and the leadership of the movement in California indicates it will remain a stable group in order to bring pressure on whatever candidate is elected.

DISKIN stated that Senator BARRY GOLDWATER's prestige is very high in this country. The danger is still present since the ultra-right is monopoly controlled and Government supported through such agencies as the FBI, the House Un-American Activities Committee, the Mc Carran Board and others. The new tactic of the ultra-right is to subvert the established people's organizations and to change them into centers of reaction, for example the Parent Teachers Association.

DISKIN said the Party must continue to develop a struggle with the main edge directed against the ultra-right. At the same time the Party must not fall into the trap of not being critical of the KENNEDY Administration. Much headway can be made, said DISKIN, in this country, against the Nazi type of anti-Communism in the people's movement. The fight against the Mc Carran Act can be broadened and more people involved. It is the experience of the Party in New York, said DISKIN, that there are many 100s of people who do not agree with the CP on many questions who are opposed to the Mc Carran Act. For instance, approximately \$10,000.00 was raised by the Hall-Davis Defense Committee and this was done without any all out campaign. He said the Hall-Davis Defense Committee receives from 75 to 100 letters a day, and the majority of them are favorable to the struggles of the Party against the Mc Carran Act. In Chicago for the first time, said DISKIN, one of the Party's comrades was fired from his job due to a direct intervention of the FBI who went to his boss. There is a need said DISKIN, for a center for defense work in Chicago, not in competition with DICK CRILEY's committee, (Chicago Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights), but one which deals specifically with the Party struggle against the Mc Carran Act. The Party

organization is still not equipped to handle the needs of the people's movement and the Party must move immediately towards strengthening its organization. This means a conscientious program for the building and strengthening of the Party and actually recruiting into the organization. This also includes in addition to dues, the organizational fund, and literature. DISKIN commented that while speaking of literature, that there is more literature sold at the Modern Book Store to passers by, than is sold to the entire CP organization.

DISKIN said the Party needs a mass approach to the question of education in the Party. He said the Party needs more emphasis to be placed on the Chicago School of Social Science and it needs a better attendance at the series of lectures planned by the school that will begin shortly, and above all, a more conscientious approach to the building and the strengthening of "The Worker".

DISKIN stated there is evidence that most of the disintergrating features of the Party organization have been either halted or are in the process of being stopped. As yet however, he said the Party cannot register any significant growth. The leadership of the Party has been working more collectively and in the Party's opinion, it is possible to stabilize and to build in this period. DISKIN stated the comrades should also note that Comrade JIM WEST will be released from prison on July 30, 1962, and the Comrades should send greetings and welcome him back.

Comments by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

LIGHTFOOT said, in his opinion the Party is beginning to move upward. It had reached its lowest level in the country in its history. The main encouraging feature of the upward trend has been the role of the younger cadre. Comrade GUS HALL, said LIGHTFOOT, is trying to involve younger comrades in all facets of Party life and this is encouraging. One of the basic needs, said LIGHTFOOT, for the Party, is the development of more fundamental answers to the problems facing the American people. One must LIGHTFOOT said, put forth a program to the American people that will indicate that the policies now being pursued by big business and the administration are leading the country to ruin and the Party

must, in a fundamental way, indicate a more positive program of struggle to change this course.

LIGHTFOOT further indicated that in the discussion on Negro work, the theme of the discussion centered around the coming 100th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation that takes place in January, 1963. The theme of the Conference was an estimate on where the Party stands since that Emancipation Proclamation, that is, it has been nine years since the Supreme Court decision desegregating the schools. Where does the Party stand as far as the desegregation of schools are concerned? LIGHTFOOT said the whole theme of the Conference was against "tokenism". Therefore, the theme must be "How do we get free now?" One need in Chicago for a more fundamental approach is around the relief cut. Just calling for a special session of the State Legislature will not solve the problem nor will people be convinced that it will solve the problem. What is needed said LIGHTFOOT, is a more fundamental answer which includes an examination of the entire tax structure of the State of Illinois. He said they should dig out VICTOR PERLO's study made in Chicago and cull out those sections which deal with the problem of taxes in Illinois.

Comments by DANNY QUEEN

QUEEN spoke on how the Party can help in building youth work. He suggested that the Party help to establish discussion groups among the youth with Party people leading these discussions. He said the Party should help young people work in mass organizations and that each Party club should take a youth club or have the responsibility for establishing a youth club as one of their assignments.

The National PYOC meeting indicated that there was a qualitative change in the PYOC organization. This change shows that the organization has been accepted by some student groups as representing a legitimate Marxist trend. QUEEN stated the magazine "New Horizons" has had some success. He also stated some features of the American youth are as follows:

(1) They are in the highest unemployment bracket.

(2) The young people in this country have not committed themselves to any particular class position, however the majority are moving toward the working class because of the character of the economy.

The student movement in this country continues to present an open mind to ideological and political questions, as is represented by the tremendous response to the Communist leaders publicity on the various campuses.

Comments by ESTHER WICKSTROM

She indicated that in her area the biggest development is around political action where there is a grouping of good government forces which is preparing to ask Reverend PRESTON BRADLEY to run for Congressman in her area to oppose the incumbent because of his stand on the peace question. She stated Reverend BRADLEY has not accepted as yet, but she indicated that there are feelings that he may accept and if so, the Party should give him all of its support.

Comments by MILT COHEN

COHEN indicated his agreement with the report of GUS HALL and felt that the Party is beginning to discuss the movements of people in a more sober and realistic way. COHEN also indicated that he agrees with the singling out of the "Voters for Peace" movement as an area for major concentration.

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indicated that she felt that the Party was beginning to understand the necessity for emphasis on mass movements, particularly with its emphasis on youth. She said she was interested in DAN QUEEN's remarks because she did not know that any youth movement supported by the Party even existed since the demise of the Labor

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Youth League (LYL) and if it exists, she said it is being kept awfully quiet and she insists that she knows young people at the University of Chicago including her son, who have joined the Trotskyites because there was no other place for their participation in a Socialist organization. She said her son is fortunate because she is able to combat the bad features of the Trotskyites but if there is a CP organization on campus, then it needs to be more vocal and attract those young people who are interested in real Socialism and not allow Trotskyites to have an open field.

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[redacted] indicated that he had been critical of the Party's approach to youth work and does not see as yet any significant change to overcoming this deficit. He said that if comrades have to ask where they can send their sons and daughters, then it is a good indication that the Party has not solved its problem. He further indicated that if the Party is to win the youth, it must stop the paternalizing approach such as CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT takes on occasion when he likes to surround himself with youth. [redacted] said the youth have definite political contributions to make to the movement and this must be the approach the Party should take if it is to win them.

The existing PYOC has no policy that will meet the needs of the Negro youth. Another point is that in speaking of peace, no one, including GUS HALL, in his report, mentioned the most significant peace development, which is the Ghana Peace Conference. [redacted] commented that "we" working in the Afro-American Heritage Association (AAHA) were able to get a delegate to attend this Conference and there will be a report back soon to stimulate interest in the Negro community.

It is interesting to note said [redacted] that the nationalist Negro groups such as the Muslims, are attracting many young people and the Party must find ways to attract them. At present the AAHA is fighting for 10,000 signatures on a petition protesting the relief cuts as proposed by Governor KERNER.

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Comments by SAM DAVIS

DAVIS spoke on the harrassment by the FBI at GERALDYNE LIGHTFOOT's funeral and how it reflected a low level of understanding against the struggle against white chauvinism when there was not a mass protest against this action and it also indicates that the Party has slipped in its struggle against white chauvinism.

DAVIS further indicated that the struggle against the relief cut can become a mass campaign and "The Worker" intends to cover this struggle with a series of articles protesting the cut and also offering alternatives to solve the problem of bankruptcy of this state.

Comments by MOLLIE GOLD

MOLLIE GOLD indicated that she in the past has been working with a group of teenagers on the North Side called the Modern Teens. In the main, these are children of progressives. For a period of time they had only "left" and Communist speakers at their meetings. Now they want to broaden out their discussions and include non-Left spokesmen and to organize debates. They also want a Marxist class to discuss the subjects that they are being taught in school. MOLLIE indicated she had one such class which lasted ten weeks involving approximately 14 teenagers. They ranged from 14 to 17 years of age.

MOLLIE GOLD said the Party's outlook should be an approach toward building teenage and youth groups around some of the established adult forums such as the West Side Forum or perhaps in the AAHA. There are some youth who are not organized into anything and the Party needs to

establish new groups for them. There should also be an approach to discussing and meeting with progressives and comrades who are working in youth centers like settlement houses, YMCAs, etc.

MOLLIE further indicated that she felt that GUS HALL's report had been very inspiring, however, the key question for comrades in this district is how to implement this report. She indicated she is for the Chicago School of Social Science developing mainly on community schools rather than centering all classes at the location of 333 West North Avenue.

Comments by DAVID ENGLESTEIN

ENGLESTEIN indicated that there has been a definite decline of American imperialism. He said all of the policies and actions taken by the administration are geared toward turning back the wheels of history. He said the proposals by President KENNEDY in his speech of July 4, 1962, calling for an integrated market, are further attempts to solve the problem of capitalism. All of these schemes have not prevented the economy from going through periodic recessions and the present proposals still will not solve the crisis. The crisis can only be solved with fundamental changes in the whole capitalist structure.

ENGLESTEIN indicated one other question he wanted to discuss, which is the question of Left unity. He said the Party should determine what questions it feels are the minimum requirements for unity with other Left groupings. ENGLESTEIN indicated that to him only two questions are needed as follows:

(1) That they agree that the main enemy is American imperialism.

(2) That the Socialist world is in fact building Socialism.

If there is agreement on these two questions, said ENGLESTEIN, the Party will be able to work ideologically in unity with these people.

Comments by JACK KLING

KLING indicated that the main problem is how to bring the GUS HALL report to the rest of the membership. He said it is not enough to give them the pamphlet and ask them to read it but that the leadership must organize discussions among the membership.

Comments by EARL DURHAM

DURHAM indicated his agreement with GUS HALL's report and felt that it marked a turn in the right direction. One question that needs further examination either by the Party leadership or in processing the discussions around GUS HALL's report is that there must be a more fundamental discussion of the Vanguard role by the Party. In the main, said DURHAM, most of the discussion in the past few years has been an evaluation of existing movements and how the Party could participate in these movements. There has been little or no discussion of the role and responsibility of the Party to create Left initiatives both within and outside the people's movements. One example is the Negro youth field where there have been ideas projected based on estimate of the movement that the Party should project the building or stimulate the building of an independent youth movement. So far, said DURHAM, the Party has not even discussed such questions. Another point DURHAM discussed was the relief cut. He indicated that it will require more fundamental answers particularly to the white working class in Chicago, on the problem of the 85 per cent Negro population on the relief roles and how this has come about. The reason for this large percentage of Negroes on the relief roles is due in the main to the Jim Crow structure of our society. This point has already been made in the documents prepared by the Illinois Public Aid Commission, (IPAC), and in the independent study made at Loyola University about a week ago when dealing with the problem of Aid to Dependent Children (ADC).

Summary by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

LIGHTFOOT indicated that the main concentration of the Party in the peace field should be the organization Voters for Peace and unless there is a political challenge to the powers that be, it will be difficult to change the policies of the present administration.

In addition the staff of the CP in Illinois should draft a long range approach to the relief crisis. Also a small committee should be selected to prepare now for the Party's mobilization for the coming city elections.

On the question of "Left" Unity, said LIGHTFOOT, in his opinion they can get unity on ideological questions. It is only on specific struggles where they should try to mobilize the other "left" groupings. For example the Party cannot get agreement with an independent such as [redacted] or NORMAN THOMAS on many ideological questions but they will participate in certain concrete struggles either on civil liberties, civil rights, etc.

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On the question of youth, LIGHTFOOT indicated that he agreed with DURHAM on taking some initiative on this question of Negro youth and perhaps in the AAHA it will be possible to develop such an approach. One point that must be borne in mind, however, is that although the youth are organized in separate groupings, young people in the main are not solely interested in leading youth in struggles but want to be part of organizations of both young and old and feel they have full participation. In the Party's youth work, he said they must remember that there is only one vanguard and that is the CP. The youth will be an ally and a part of the vanguard but the Party is not trying to establish a separate vanguard organization.

The key question for the leadership is how to implement the line put forth by the Conference. He said they must avoid a struggle against cynicism and negativism and at the same time avoid a rah rah approach.

LIGHTFOOT said they must overcome this gap between the Party organization and the possibilities of struggle. He said the Party is still not growing and in his opinion, this is largely subjective. He said the CP Board has set a goal of recruiting 30 young people by the end of the year.

LIGHTFOOT said they should discuss every time they meet what is being done to meet this goal. Further, he said they need much more discipline in the Party. For example only about one half of the individuals who were invited to this meeting attended. This indicated that as yet the Party has not found the key towards strengthening an attitude of responsibility.

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SA ROBERT S. MCGAVIN (7810)

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On 7/20/62, NY 2304-S* advised a discussion was held that date in the office of WILLIAM PATTERSON at CP Headquarters, NYC, regarding the publication of a Spanish language newspaper.

PAUL BART said that the first page has to set forth the problems of workers. He asked who is going to read this paper. JESUS COLON replied, 'the working class'. BART continued that when a worker picked up the paper, he has got to see right away what makes it different from other papers. When a Spanish or Puerto Rican worker picks up the paper, he, too, must see that it is something different.

WILLIAM ALBERTSON said that they had to make certain the struggles of the Spanish and Puerto Rican people are involved in the news and features in the paper. He said they were going to discuss this question at the Board Meeting on 7/26/62. The paper is one which first of all reflects the struggles of the Puerto Ricans in NY. The rest is secondary.

BART said they were talking about a small paper coming out bi-weekly of eight pages. He said it has to reflect, first of all, the Puerto Rican movement in NYC. They have got to go out and talk to groups like (Local ?) 1179.

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ALBERTSON said people were talking about the new Spanish paper as being a Spanish edition of "The Worker". He declared that they have to correct this wrong impression.

BART then asked why did they need more than one person down ~~§§~~ (in the masthead?). He continued that in carrying through a united front, they are not going to hide the fact that Communists are interested in such things as the hospital strike, but they are not going to throw ~~the~~ (CP interest?) in the faces of the Puerto Rican people. ALBERTSON commented the less people that have to go and take the Fifth Amendment, the better.

WEINSTOCK asked how much money has been raised. COLON replied they had no material with which to raise money. Regarding the printing, MOEFISIMAN is waiting. WEINSTOCK commented that if COLON wanted to raise \$10,000.00, he would have to ask for fifteen or twenty thousand dollars. ALBERTSON said that among the Spanish people, there is no Left organization. COLON said they were going to build that. ALBERTSON said that in Manhattan, they are asking every club for \$10.00 and every Party member to give \$1.00.

BART said they need a realistic budget. They began with four pages and went to eight pages. They also began with a monthly and changed to a bi-weekly. He said that coupon books could be used to raise money.

BRANDT said coupons are not the source of raising money for the paper. He said they need one piece of good material to spread wide among the people. BART commented they wanted to give a club the minimum number of pieces of material to be bothered with. WEINSTOCK said they would need \$6,000.00 right away. BRANDT commented that MOE is alright and would give thirty days credit.

Further discussion continued on how to raise money with BRANDT proposing that they could ask people for a donation, not in cash, but in stock. BART said they would have to conserve every cent so that they would have enough for wages, rent, etc.

BRANDT told BART to ask CARL to talk to the owner of 799 (Broadway). BART said that CARL BRODSKY would not do it, as he had been asked before.

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WEINSTOCK then said they agreed the campaign is to begin. This was apparently acceptable, and the meeting was terminated.

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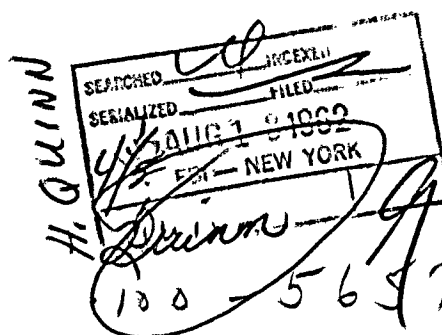
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3 - San Francisco (Regis. Mail)
65-1242 MICKEY LIMA
100- [REDACTED]
ARCHIE BROWN

3 - Philadelphia (Regis. Mail)
100- TOM NABRIED
100- FRANCES GABOW
100- [REDACTED]

1 - Seattle (Regis. Mail)
100- BURT NELSON

1 - Minneapolis (Regis. Mail)
100- SAM DAVIS

2 - Newark (Regis. Mail)
100- PATRICK TOOHEY
100- MOROZE

1 - Pittsburgh (Regis. Mail)
100- HERB KRANS DORF

[redacted]

On 6/26/62, [redacted] furnished SA ROBERT C. NORTON a copy of the pamphlet "Anti-Communism In The United States", referred to in the following report of [redacted]. The pamphlet is being retained in [redacted].

On 6/26/62, [redacted] furnished SA NORTON a paper containing the following statement:

"The amount received by the HALL-DAVIS Fighting Fund from The South as of June 21, 1962, is \$254.00."

The informant also furnished another paper which set forth:

"Please send to _____
(area)

_____	'Free Americans from McCarran Act Danger' by Gus Hall	) @ 4¢ each plus post- age"
_____	'Ben Davis on the McCarran Act at the Harvard Law Forum'	)

Informant said both documents were handed out on 6/22/62 at CP meeting set forth in following report. The documents were photostated 6/26/62 and the original returned to informant 6/29/62. The photostats are being retained in [redacted].

On 6/26/62, [redacted] furnished SA NORTON a copy of the "Discussion Outline on GUS HALL's Pamphlet Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War", which is referred to in following report of [redacted]. The document was photostated 6/26/62. On 6/29/62, the original was returned to [redacted]. The photostat is being retained in [redacted].

On 6/26/62, [redacted] furnished SA NORTON the following literature, which had been handed out at the CP meetings held in New York City 6/22-24/62, an account of which meetings is set forth in the following report.

1. Leaflet headed "Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties" "Available Material".

[REDACTED]

2. Leaflet headed "An Open Letter to the Socialist Party from GUS HALL".

3. Leaflet headed "Memorandum" "(Please take care of the following items listed below before you leave town)"

4. Leaflet headed "Fellow Americans: Who? is responsible for Racism in U. S. A."

5. Leaflet headed "Labor Day Greetings To A Working People's Newspaper".

6. Leaflet headed "Subscribe Now - Pay Later" "The Worker and Mid-Week Worker".

7. Leaflet headed "Facts for Thinking Americans".

8. Leaflet headed "Beware --- Ultra Right Smog".

9. Pamphlet headed "Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War!" by GUS HALL.

10. Leaflet headed "Facts on the McCarran Act".

11. Leaflet: Open letter by MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER, headed "Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties" re. two pieces of material published by CCCL.

12. Pamphlet headed "Free Speech Victory".

The informant orally advised SA NORTON that the above material was handed out to people attending the CP meetings in an envelope.

[REDACTED] material and envelope are being retained in

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"Baltimore, Maryland
June 25, 1962

through The following report concerns a Communist Party (CP) meeting held at 853 Broadway, New York, New York, on June 22 June 24, 1962. The meeting was held on the second floor and the main topic of discussion was the Gus Hall - Ben Davis Defense Committee.

Persons observed in attendance at the meeting were as follows:

FRED BLAIR
DOROTHY HEALY and husband
ARNOLD JOHNSON
BENJAMIN DAVIS
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
GUS HALL
JAMES JACKSON
PHIL BART
ELIZABETH G. FLYNN
LOUIS WEINSTOCK
CARL WINTER
EDWARD CHAKA
GEORGE MEYERS
MORRIS CHILDS
JACOB GREEN
BEN DOBBS
NORMAN HAALAND
JACK STACHEL
IRVING POTASH
BOB THOMPSON
MICKEY LIMA

[REDACTED]
TOM NABRIED
JACK KLING
ELSIE DICKERSON
FRANCES GABOW
[REDACTED]
DANNY RUBIN
WILLIAM CRAWFORD
CYRIE PHILIP
ARCHIE BROWN

BETTY GANNETT
JAMES ALLEN
BURT NELSON
A. KRCHMAREK
ERIK BERT
MILDRED MC ADORY
SAMUEL DAVIS
WILLIAM WEINSTONE
MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER
JIM TORMEY
PATRICK TOOHEY
TOM DENNIS
JOSEPH BRANDT
WILLIAM ALBERTSON
MIKE DAVIDOW
HERBY KRANS DORF
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG
WILLIAM PATTERSON
SI GERSON
GEORGE MORRIS
JAMES LUSTIG
CHARLENE ALEXANDER
[REDACTED]
LESTER DAVIS
LEWIS M. MOROZE
BRADFORD BINGHAM
ELLSWORTH JACKSON
ART SHIELDS
[REDACTED]
WILLIAM HINTON

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"JAMES TORMEY opened the meeting at about 8:15 p.m. and then introduced ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN as Chairman of the Gus Hall - Ben Davis Defense Committee.

FLYNN in turn then introduced GUS HALL, CP General Secretary, who then talked. The substance of his talk was drawn directly from the 13-page pamphlet entitled "Discussion Outline on Gus Hall's Pamphlet, Main Street to Wall Street: End the Cold War."

The meeting ended at about 10:15 p.m. after HALL spoke. At this time invitations were passed out to attend a reception for ARCHIE BROWN to be held the following evening.

The same people reconvened the following morning, June 23, 1962, at the same place at about 10:25 a.m.

GEORGE MEYERS, Chairman of the Maryland - D. C. CP District and National Executive Committee member, was Chairman of the morning session.

The entire day was spent in discussion of material set forth in the above-mentioned pamphlet by GUS HALL.

During the morning session A. KRCHMAREK said that the CP had been making headway in Cleveland, Ohio, until the House Committee on Un-American Activities had gotten into town. KRCHMAREK said an informant appeared before the HCUA and told lies about the CP. He said as a result of this, a lot of CP members "gave up." He said a lot of informants went to the FBI and wanted to quit informing and despite the requests of the FBI for them to keep on working, a number of them did quit and publicly admitted that they had been FBI informants.

The morning session ended at about 1:30 p.m. and reconvened at about 2:30 p.m.

During the lunch hour GUS HALL, CP General Secretary, had lunch with CP members from Baltimore which included GEORGE MEYERS, ROBERT LEE and JACOB GREEN.

During lunch MEYERS told HALL that he had recently visited the Southern U. S. including the cities of Richmond,

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"Norfolk, and Petersburg in Virginia.

MEYERS said he would like to make another trip and HALL then replied that it was up to MEYERS and that he personally felt that something could be done in the South, particularly in connection with the Negro problem.

MEYERS commented that a man in Virginia, whose office was raided by the police there, was under considerable pressure.

During the afternoon session, [REDACTED] from Northern California, acted as Chairman.

A number of CP national leaders, including BOB THOMPSON, DOROTHY HEALY, and MICKEY LIMA spoke. Everyone seemed to be generally in agreement with GUS HALL's report and all emphasized the need to rebuild the Party and fight the McCarran Act. There were some questions as to whether it would be easy to rebuild the Party at this time.

The meeting ended at about 6:00 p.m. with [REDACTED] announcing that discussion would be resumed by the same group from about 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. the following day and that JAMES TORMEY during the session would make a report on the McCarran Act.

At about 9:20 a.m., June 24, 1962, the same group again met at the same place, TORMEY making a report on the McCarran Act, the substance of which is set forth in a 13-page pamphlet headed "Introduction" and the first paragraph of which sets out "'Anti-Communism in the U. S.'" has been prepared in the hope that the material it contains in such concise and clear cut form may be of help to all those who are working to preserve civil liberties in our country."

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN then stressed that the CP had to present its viewpoint to the American people so that they would understand the danger of the McCarran Act. BEN DAVIS then spoke along the same



" lines.

After several other people had spoken, GUS HALL made the closing remarks and the meeting ended at about 2:10 p.m. "

This memo has been compared with the informant's original statement and it is accurate in substance.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

SUBJECT: U.S. VS. CPUSA
IS-C; ISA-1950
(OO:NY)

DATE: 8/1/62

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1-Baltimore (100-12076) (GEORGE MEYERS) (RM)
1-Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
1-Detroit (100-8482) (TOM DENNIS) (RM)
1-Indianapolis (100-9529) [REDACTED] (RM)
1-Los Angeles (100-4486) (DOROTHY HEALEY) (RM)
1-Newark (100-32233) (LEW MOROZE) (RM)
1-Oklahoma City (100-[REDACTED]) (RM)
1-Philadelphia (65-1686) [REDACTED] (RM)
1-San Francisco (65-1242) [REDACTED] (RM)
1-Seattle (100-127) [REDACTED] (RM)
1-[REDACTED] (41)
1-NY 100-129498 [REDACTED] (412)
1-NY 100-68934 (JEAN SMITH) (422)
1-NY 100-120054 [REDACTED] (414)
1-NY 100-25623 (ERIK BERT) (415)
1-NY 100-16785 (JIM JACKSON) (415)
1-NY 100-9595 (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (415)
1-NY 100-15828 (JOE BRANDT) (415)
1-NY 100-135736 (MARVIN MARKMAN) (415)
1-NY 100- (FNU LNU WM #1 AT CPUSA HEADQUARTERS A FEW WEEKS
AGO ON 7/19/62 - PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED) (412)
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AGO ON 7/19/62 - PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED) (412)
1-NY 100- (FNU LNU FEMALE, BORN ABOUT 1940, 5'4"-5", 120-125
LBS., DARK COMPLEXION-LOOKS TO BE PUERTO RICAN OR
POSSIBLY VERY LIGHT NEGRO, HAIR SHORT AND CURLED-
NATURAL. NO GLASSES, AT CPUSA HEADQUARTERS 7/19/62
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1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
1-NY 100- [REDACTED] LNU NEGRO - PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED) (412)
1-NY 100-82206 (BILL STANLEY) (414)
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Description of Info

Activities at CPUSA
headquarters, NYC -
7/19/62.

Date Received

7/25/62

Received By

SA JOHN A. HAAG
written

Original Location

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A copy of informant's written report follows.

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July 23/62

At C.P. headquarters on July 19/62 these people were seen.

[redacted] 3rd floor
IRAN SMITH - 3rd floor
[redacted] - 2nd floor
ERIC BERT - Worker-1st floor
JIM JACKSON - 2nd floor-Worker
WM. WEINSTONE-2nd floor
JOE BRANT-3rd floor
MARVIN MARKMAN - 2nd floor
2 boys. - 2nd floor
Woman not known. 2nd floor

PHIL BART - 3rd floor
AL (Negro) - 2nd floor
BILL STANLEY - 3rd floor
ARNOLD JOHNSON-3rd floor
ELIZABETH LAWSON-3rd floor
SARAH JAFFE-1st-2nd-3rd fl.

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The 2 boys are the same ones seen a few weeks ago when people from out of town were there. At the time DOROTHY HEALY and others were there. They were seen with MARVIN MARKMAN then and they were with him again.

The woman - age 20-22 years old. Height 5-4-5 Weight 120-25 Dark Complexion. Looks to be Puerto Rican or possibly a very light Negro. Hair short and curled. Natural. No glasses. Wore a red and white striped dress. Pleated. Black bag. Small. She talked in low tones to [redacted] for about 15 minutes.

Four stencils were run - 300 each. This was collated and divided into parts which were put into envelopes and which were addressed to people who are listed as follows. The list was made by WM. WEINSTONE.

New York - 60
N.J. - 15
East Pa.- 15
West Pa.- 15
Detroit - 15
Chicago - 30
Cleveland- 20

Milwaukee - 10
Minn. - 10
Boston - 10
Seattle - 20
San F. - 25
Las Angles- 25
Maryland - 10

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The stamping and addressing was done by [redacted] As
near as can be said they were sent to -

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DOROTHY HEALY
TOM DENNIS
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
MICKIE LIMA
BERT NELSON
MANNY BLUM

TOM NABRIED
GEORGE MEYERS
(C.A. LEWIS
839 S.E. 55th St
Oklahoma City, Okla.
No return address)

(LOU MORAGE
760 Clinton
Newark, N.J.
No return address)

The New York bundle will be picked up, [redacted] said it
was to be divided between the clubs.

The article sent was- "Memorandum on the Practical
Application of the Gus Hall Pamphlet with Special Emphasis on the
Role of the Party."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

J. May
TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: 8-2-62

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-2644)

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
IS - C; ISA OF 1950
(OO:NY)

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M ④ New York (RM)
(1-100-80641 (CP, USA - Organization)
(1-100-89691 (CP, USA - Domestic Administration Issues)
2-Milwaukee (RM)
(1-100- (PHIL BART)
(1-100-421 (CP, Wisconsin District - Organization)

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(1-100- (RALPH TAYLOR)
(1-100- (CP, Minnesota-Dakotas District - Domestic
Administration Issues)
(1-100-1878P (CP, Minnesota-Dakotas District - Organization)
(1-100-1878R (CP, Minnesota-Dakotas District - Political
Activities)

3-Chicago

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August 1, 1962

During the early afternoon of August 1, 1962, PHIL BART arrived in Chicago by train from Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Initially, BART had been scheduled to arrive in Chicago on either July 30 or 31, 1962, but he noted he had been delayed since he desired to come to Chicago without being followed. However, Bart still was not certain that he had been successful because he felt that he had been followed by FBI agents to the railroad station in Milwaukee.

While in Milwaukee, BART noted he had been scheduled to attend an enlarged meeting of Party people. However, after it developed that several people believed that there were FBI agents in the area, the larger meeting was cancelled and a smaller meeting of known Party people was held in its place.

In the Minneapolis area, BART stated he had met with ROSE RENAUD, RALPH TAYLOR, CLARENCE SHARP, and CLARENCE HATHAWAY. According to BART, there now appears little hope for SHARP as far as the Party is concerned. BART then advised that most of the time he had spent in the Minneapolis area had been devoted to the current election situation as it regards the creation of a broad election campaign and an effort to put peace candidates into the field.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, BOSTON

DATE: 8/2/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - ORGANIZATION
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On 7/18/62, NY 2359-S* advised that on above date,
a meeting of leading CP functionaries was held at CP Headquarters,
NYC. In attendance were:

GUS HALL
✓ WILLIAM L. PATTERSON
✓ PHIL BART
LOUIS WEINSTOCK
WILLIAM WEINSTONE
ARNOLD JOHNSON

GEORGE MORRIS
IRVING POTASH
MIKE DAVIDSON
JACK STACHEL
JESUS COLON
JAMES JACKSON

3 - Boston
(1 - 100-) (CP, USA DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES)
1 - New York (100-89590) (CP, USA - STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY) (415)
1 - New York (100-80640) (CP, USA - NEGRO QUESTION) (415)
1 - New York (100-89691) (CP, USA - DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES) (415)
1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
1 - New York (100-84275) (WILLIAM L. PATTERSON) (415)
1 - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (415)
1 - New York (100-26018) (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (415)
1 - New York (100-9595) (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (414)
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1 - New York (100-13203) (GEORGE MORRIS) (415)
1 - New York (100-48033) (IRVING POTASH) (415)
1 - New York (100-56) (MIKE DAVIDSON) (415)
1 - New York (100-18065) (JACK STACHEL) (415)
1 - New York (101-559) (JESUS COLON) (415)
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GUS HALL opened the discussion by commenting first on the New York hospital strike. He said the success or failure of a party is determined by whether or not it is able to grab hold of the historical forces as they go by. This strike constitutes such a historical change or development and "we" will either grab it or miss an opportunity. HALL said the strike must be viewed in those terms and not merely by the number of people who participated in it or the agreements reached. It is clear that the elements in this struggle signify that they are the future elements and indicate the dimensions of the trade union movement in New York. "They" will be the future members, stewards, leaders and business agents of the labor movement and will play the role that the mass production worker played in the 1930's.

HALL emphasized that this should be understood by the Party in order for the Party to be a part of this historical development. He urged that the New York District leadership discuss the strike in those terms. He cautioned that if "we" are not careful, the trade union movement will change and the Party will not.

HALL said that he was aware that some comrades down below in the sections and clubs did some very good work in the strike, but it was very limited. He said unless the Party plays a greater role "we will miss this bus" and not play the role we played in the 1930's.

HALL then spoke of the need to increase the circulation of "The Worker". He said it was all well and good to speak of content for the paper, but unless there was an increase in the paper's circulation, content would mean nothing. He said that as far as he could see, there was no struggle, no enthusiasm or determination to understand the role that the Party must play.

Following HALL's comments, all the individuals at the meeting agreed that the hospital strike was most important because it established the right of low paid workers, especially Negroes and Puerto Ricans, to strike. It was unanimous that the strike itself was the best example so far of Negro-labor unity and of a united front of Negroes and Puerto Ricans.

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It was stated that the fight by LEON DAVIS (Local 1199), a Jew, for the Negro and Puerto Rican workers would help nullify the anti-Semitism caused by allegations that Jewish hospitals would not allow collective bargaining.

It was further stated at the meeting that the issues of a \$1.50 minimum wage will be an issue in the coming elections. They all agreed with GUS HALL that the Party must not miss the opportunity of mobilizing the Negro and Puerto Rican workers who have proven by the hospital strike that they are going to be a major force in the labor movement as well as an important political segment.

JAMES JACKSON commented regarding the Negro American Labor Council and said that they exposed themselves to isolation from the main trends of the American labor movement. He said the Party has to develop a left trend in the labor movement as a whole and that the Negro worker is a part of this movement and not a special thing. He said the left trend can not advance on the back of the Negro worker.

ARNOLD JOHNSON next made a few comments regarding the electoral situation in Massachusetts. He said this election looms important because of the candidacy of STEWART HUGHES, who is running as an independent. JOHNSON said that there was a strong group of people who are participating in efforts to get him on the ballot. He described these people as both young and old, but that their special character is that they are from the peace movement and not necessarily from any age grouping.

JOHNSON commented that this was one of the fine examples where the country could learn a lesson, noting there are about 40 people working out of his (HUGHES) office, with another couple of hundred around the state who are somehow involved. JOHNSON said that HUGHES still needs 32,500 signatures to insure being on the ballot, noting that their goal is to obtain 125,000 signatures by July 24th.

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JOHNSON stated that HUGHES had been on television recently which indicated his attitude on some important questions. On the peace question, his point was to end the cold war. On Cuba, he recommends establishing normal relations with Cuba. JOHNSON noted that his (HUGHES) position is not one that agrees with us on everything, but he has a certain kind of independence about him and "we" need to give careful study to it. JOHNSON further remarked that he (HUGHES) always emphasizes that he is a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, a member of SANE and a member of the NAACP. JOHNSON also stated that he (HUGHES) includes recognition of East Germany as a concession that could be made without damaging ourselves in the slightest.

Following JOHNSON's comments, GUS HALL remarked that all this was a very important development. He said that this proves that mass movements, and specifically the peace movement, are reaching various levels. HALL said that in his opinion, it was further proof that the question of political realignment and the emergence of independent political forces may not take place, as we have foreseen it in the past, through the political struggles of the working class directly through the trade unions. HALL felt that this breakthrough may come initially through the peace issue. HALL again emphasized that major fundamental developments are taking place and the Party has to be on top of them.

PHIL BART commented that various actions are taking place throughout the country by means of the left forces participating. He said that there are a number of places throughout the country that deserve watching and deserve our attention both from the point of the election as well as for the whole future. BART noted that the left movement was small but in his opinion, felt they can not judge political developments only in a numerical sense.

JACK STACHEL commented that in many areas "we" are paralyzed. "We" underestimate to what an extent an independent movement can sometimes influence the whole course of political events.

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It was decided that further discussion was needed to assess the political currents developing throughout the country.

SAC, CHICAGO (100-2644)

8/2/62

SA RICHARD W. HANSEN

PHIL BART
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 - (1-100-56579 (PHIL BART)
- 1-St. Louis (Info)(RM)
 - (1-100- (PHIL BART)
- 4-Chicago
 - (1-A)134-46-7629)
 - (1-100-9313 (JACK KLING)
 - (1-100-18953 (CP, Illinois District - Organization)

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August 1, 1962

On August 1, 1962, PHIL BART arrived in Chicago for a stay which he expected would extend to approximately August 3, 1962, at which time he will proceed to St. Louis, Missouri.

In Chicago, BART is scheduled to stay for at least the evening of August 1, 1962, at the residence of JACK KLING. However, where BART intended to stay for the remainder of his time in Chicago had not been further established as of August 1, 1962.

While here in Chicago, BART hopes to meet with various Communist Party District leaders, individually and collectively, to discuss Communist Party business.

8/2/62

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-2644)

PHIL BART
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Chicago will furnish St. Louis with any subsequent information developed concerning BART's intended trip to St. Louis by most expeditious means possible. If the exact time of departure by rail for St. Louis is ascertained, St. Louis Office will be advised accordingly.

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(1-100- (PHIL BART)

(1-100-6970 (HERSCHEL WALKER)

(1-100-7781 (CP, Missouri District - Organization)

2-Chicago

(1-A)134-46-7630)

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August 2, 1962

During the late p.m. of Wednesday, August 1, 1962, it was learned that PHIL BART now intends to leave Chicago during the afternoon of August 3, 1962, at which time he will proceed by train for St. Louis, Missouri. BART indicated he intended to remain in St. Louis for a period of approximately one and one-half days after which he will return to New York City so as to be at that location on Monday, August 6, 1962.

In connection with his stay in St. Louis, BART has indicated he will not depend upon HERSCHEL WALKER to make arrangements for his contacts but will attempt to work through other unnamed individuals. BART noted that he was of the personal opinion that WALKER was useless and could not be depended upon in such matters.

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-21381)
(100-3284)

August 2, 1962

SAC, CLEVELAND (100-1207)
(100-16900)

IRVING POTASH, aka
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✓ PHILIP BART
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ISA, 1950; SA, 1940
(OO: NEW YORK)

Re New York teletype and Cleveland teletype, 7-24-62.

For the information of the Bureau and New York a surveillance was instituted at approximately 9:30 AM, July 24, 1962, in the vicinity of 3167 Fulton Road, Cleveland, Ohio, which is the place where KRCHMAREK is employed. No activity was observed until approximately 12:00 noon at which time a Hillman-Minx convertible automobile, bearing New York license plates 3Z 6664 parked on the east side of Fulton Road just south of Clark Avenue, approximately two blocks away from KRCHMAREK's place of employment.

No other activity was observed until approximately 1:00 PM at which time POTASH, BART and KRCHMAREK were observed in conversation along side the building at 3167 Fulton Road. This conversation continued until approximately 1:25 PM at which time BART and POTASH returned to their car, lowered the top, and placed some material of an unknown nature in the rear trunk.

At 1:44 PM they drove through various streets in Cleveland and stopped at two foreign car agencies apparently asking for spare parts for their car. Thereafter, they drove along Lorain Avenue in Cleveland, made a short stop at a delicatessen apparently for refreshments and at 3:13 PM entered Gate 8 of the Ohio Turnpike heading in a westerly direction. They did not make any inquiries of the gate attendant. Fisur was discontinued at 3:14 PM. Chicago and Detroit advised.

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2 - New York (100-48033) (100-36579) (RM)

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-33728)

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②-New York (RM)

(1-100-56579 (PHIL HART)
(1-100-23825 (HEN DAVIS, JR.)
(1-100-84994 (GUS HALL)
(1-100-27452 (ROBERT THOMPSON)
(1-100-26018 (LOUIS WEINSTOCK)
(1-100-80641 (CP, USA - ORGANIZATION)

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✓ According to PHIL BART, GUS HALL, while recently discussing the roles of several people in the National Office of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), had made the following comments:

He, HALL, is going "to cut" BEN DAVIS down to size. As of this late date, DAVIS still has not confessed any of the past errors of his ways and now is even beginning to hold himself out as his, HALL's, equal.

HALL also indicated he still had some worries about BOB THOMPSON and therefore had no intention of letting him get away from the national center where he could control him.

HALL also indicated he would like very much to get some of the older people, like LOUIS WEINSTOCK, at the National Office to take up Social Security and thus make room for some younger people to be given full-time work.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

8/3/62

SAC, CHICAGO (100-33741)

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3-Bureau (Enc. 2) (RM)

2-New York (RM)

(1-100-88579 (PHIL BART)

(1-100-80641 (CP, USA - Organization)

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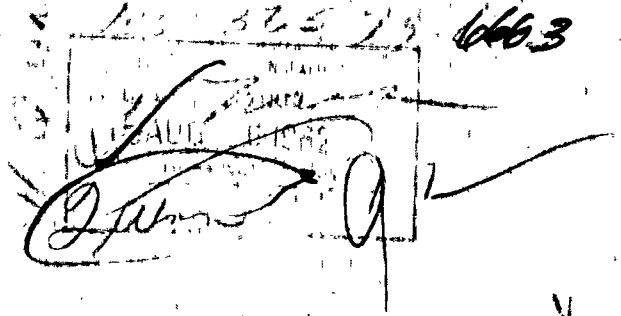
(1-100-2644 (PHIL BART)

(1-100-18953 (CP, Illinois District - Organization)

(1-100-33200 (Midland News Agency)

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August 2, 1962

Based on recent remarks made by PHIL BART while in Chicago, it is apparent that the National Office of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) is very dissatisfied with the situation currently existing in the Illinois District of the Party. The National Office, according to BART, is at a loss to understand the reason of the District in closing down its office and as to why now the only address for the Party locally is a single mail box. BART also noted that the question was also raised at the National Office as to why the newspaper office which reportedly is still maintained in Chicago is not kept open on a regular basis so that at least there is some place available for contact.

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Date: 8-3-62

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-89)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-33756)

CP, USA - STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY
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ReCGtel to Director, Cleveland and New York 8/2/62.

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Copies of this communication are being directed to the Pittsburgh and Baltimore Offices since the possibility exists that individuals from within those office areas might attend one or the other of the functions referred to herein. It is also suggested that for the assistance of Cleveland, that any office receiving pertinent information regarding these meetings immediately furnish such information to them. The Bureau and Cleveland should be advised of any developments in this matter.

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If any established source of the Chicago Office develops information regarding the activity referred to herein, all pertinent offices will be immediately advised.

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1-Baltimore (RM)
 (1-100- (CP, Maryland District - Strategy in Industry)
4-Cleveland (RM)
 (1- 65-721 (ANTHONY KRCHMAREK)
 (1-100-421 (GUS HALL)
 (1-100- (IRVING POTASH)
 (1-100- (CP, Ohio District - Strategy in Industry)
2-Detroit (RM)
 (1-100-13420 (CARL WINTER)
 (1-100-17161 (CP, Michigan District - Strategy in Industry)
⑤-New York (RM)
 (1-100-56579 (PHIL BART)
 (1-100-84994 (GUS HALL)
 (1-100-48033 (IRVING POTASH)
 (1-100-80641 (CP, USA - Organization)
 (1-100-89590 (CP, USA - Strategy in Industry)
1-Pittsburgh (RM)
 (1-100- (CP, Western Pennsylvania District - Strategy in Industry)
5-Chicago
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 (1-100-2644 (PHIL BART)
 (1-100-19736 (MIKE SAUNDERS)
 (1-100-19431 (CP, Illinois District - Strategy in Industry)

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August 2, 1962

On August 2, 1962, during the course of confidential discussion being carried on by PHIL BART, the following was overheard:

GUS HALL intended to depart New York City on or about August 3, 1962, and would proceed to Cleveland in order to be in that city on August 4, 1962. HALL is undergoing this travel in order to participate in a meeting scheduled sometime over the week end of August 4th at Cleveland at which a number of individuals in the top leadership of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) will hold discussions related solely to the matter of Steel. Among those who definitely will participate in these discussions, in addition to HALL, are CARL WINTER of Detroit and IRVING POTASH of New York. Other possible attendees, as indicated by BART, were ANTHONY KRCEMAREK of Cleveland and MIKE SAUNDERS of Chicago. Exactly when and where the meeting with HALL will occur in Cleveland was not discussed nor were names of possible additional attendees brought forth. While HALL initially had desired that PHIL BART should attend the Cleveland meeting, BART indicated that because of previous commitments, he would not be present.

BART then disclosed that following the Cleveland meeting held on the week end of August 4th, a second meeting has been scheduled for the same location which would consist of rank and file Party members active in Steel. This second meeting will be held sometime over the week end of August 18, 1962. The purpose of this second meeting will be to receive the decisions regarding Steel which are made by the top CP leadership meeting of August 4, 1962.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

DATE: 8-3-62

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33741)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - ORGANIZATION
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2-Bureau (Enc. 2)(RM)

2-Cleveland (RM)

(1-100-17257 (CP, Ohio District - Organization)

(1- 65-721 (ANTHONY KRCHMAREK)

1-Milwaukee (RM)

(1-100-421 (CP, Wisconsin District - Organization)

1-Minneapolis (RM)

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(JAMES LUSTIG)

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11-New York (RM)

(1-100-129629

(WILLIAM ALBERTSON)

(1-100-56579

(PHIL BART)

(1-100-84994

(GUS HALL)

(1-100-1158

(JAMES LUSTIG)

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(JOHN PITTMAN)

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(IRVING POTASH)

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(LOUIS WEINSTOCK)

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(CP, USA - Organization)

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(CP, USA - Pamphlets and Publications)

(1-100-89590

(CP, USA - Strategy in Industry)

(1- 97-169

(Publishers New Press)

3-Pittsburgh (RM)

(1-100-14195

(HERBERT KRANSDORF)

(1-100-

(FNU. KRANSDORF) (brother of HERBERT KRANSDORF)

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(CP, Western Pennsylvania District - Organization)

3-Chicago

(1-A)134-46-7633)

(1-100-2644

(PHIL BART)

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August 2, 1962

While in Chicago on August 1, 1962, PHIL BART, while discussing various matters related to organizational problems within the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), was heard to make the following comments:

JOHN PITTMAN, who just recently returned to the United States from the Soviet Union, has now agreed to work on the staff of "The Worker."

JAMES LUSTIG, who is in the process of being relieved as Business Manager of "The Worker," is now tentatively under consideration, with the approval of GUS HALL, to take over the job as District Organizer in New Jersey, replacing PAT TOOHEY, who is on a six-month assignment in Puerto Rico.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK, former Business Manager, "The Worker," is definitely being considered and probably will move back into that same job which is now being vacated by LUSTIG.

WILLIAM ALBERTSON is under consideration as WEINSTOCK's replacement and he may take over Party trade union work in New York City.

When en route to Chicago, BART and POTASH made stops at Pittsburgh and at Cleveland. During the stopover in Pittsburgh, they had jointly contacted HERBERT KRANSDORF and had also spoken to KRANSDORF's brother who is now out of the Party. Both he and POTASH had attempted unsuccessfully to convince KRANSDORF's brother to reactivate himself and come back into the Party. In Cleveland they had spoken to ANTHONY KRCHMAREK on organizational problems related to the Ohio District.

In all contacts to date, during his current trip, BART noted that he had found that there were many good Party people holding leadership positions in the various districts. However, for example in Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh, he had not, as yet, found one Party organizer whom he felt was capable of tying the membership together into an effective organization. This BART has found to be a very disappointing fact.

Date: 8/6/62

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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Re CG airtel to Bureau, 8/2/62, and CG telephone call to SL, 8/3/62.

Copies were designated for NY as that office is OO. An information copy was designated for CG as data furnished by SL informants explain reason for subject's trip here.

3 - Bureau (100-3284) (RM)
 ② - New York 1 - (100-56579) (Phil Bart) (RM)
 1 - (100-89641) (CP-USA-Organization)
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[redacted] and [redacted] only advised SAs [redacted] and SPURGEON J. PETERSON, 8/3/62, that meetings were scheduled with subject and officials of CP of Mo. on 8/4 and 8/5, 1962.

On 8/5/62, [redacted] orally advised SA PETERSON that subject had arrived SL the p.m. of 8/3/62 and presided over a meeting of officers of CP of Mo. on 8/4 and afternoon of 8/5/62. On 8/6/62 [redacted] orally advised SA PETERSON that on the afternoon of 8/4/62 subject met with members of the Secretariat of the CP of Mo. and met with an "enlarged" meeting of CP officials on the afternoon of 8/5/62.

These sources indicated BART came to SL to discuss the formation of a new active CP Youth organization that the CP wants started here. He discussed the question of who would be responsible to get it started and problems of getting recruits.

Subject mentioned there were individuals on the "West Coast" whom he will want to talk with. He did not say when he may make a trip west or where he will go. Bart told informants he would return by air to New York the evening of 8/5/62.

[redacted] believes subject spent Friday night at a hotel and Saturday night with HERSCHELL WALKER, Chairman of the C. P. of Mo.

According to [redacted] subject was in the company of WILLIAM (RED) DAVIS, a considerable amount of the time he was in this city. WILLIAM (RED) DAVIS is an area leader of the CP of Mo.

[redacted] (an established source) TWA [redacted] SL, advised SA PETERSON, 8/2/62, that P. BART held reservations on TWA flight #94 from SLMO to New York City, departing SLMO 8/5/62 at 6:45 p.m.. The reservation was used.

According to [redacted] subject was driven to the airport in St. Louis on 8/5/62 by HERSCHELL WALKER and WILLIAM (RED) DAVIS. He took back to New York City with him dues payments in the amount of \$131.52.

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